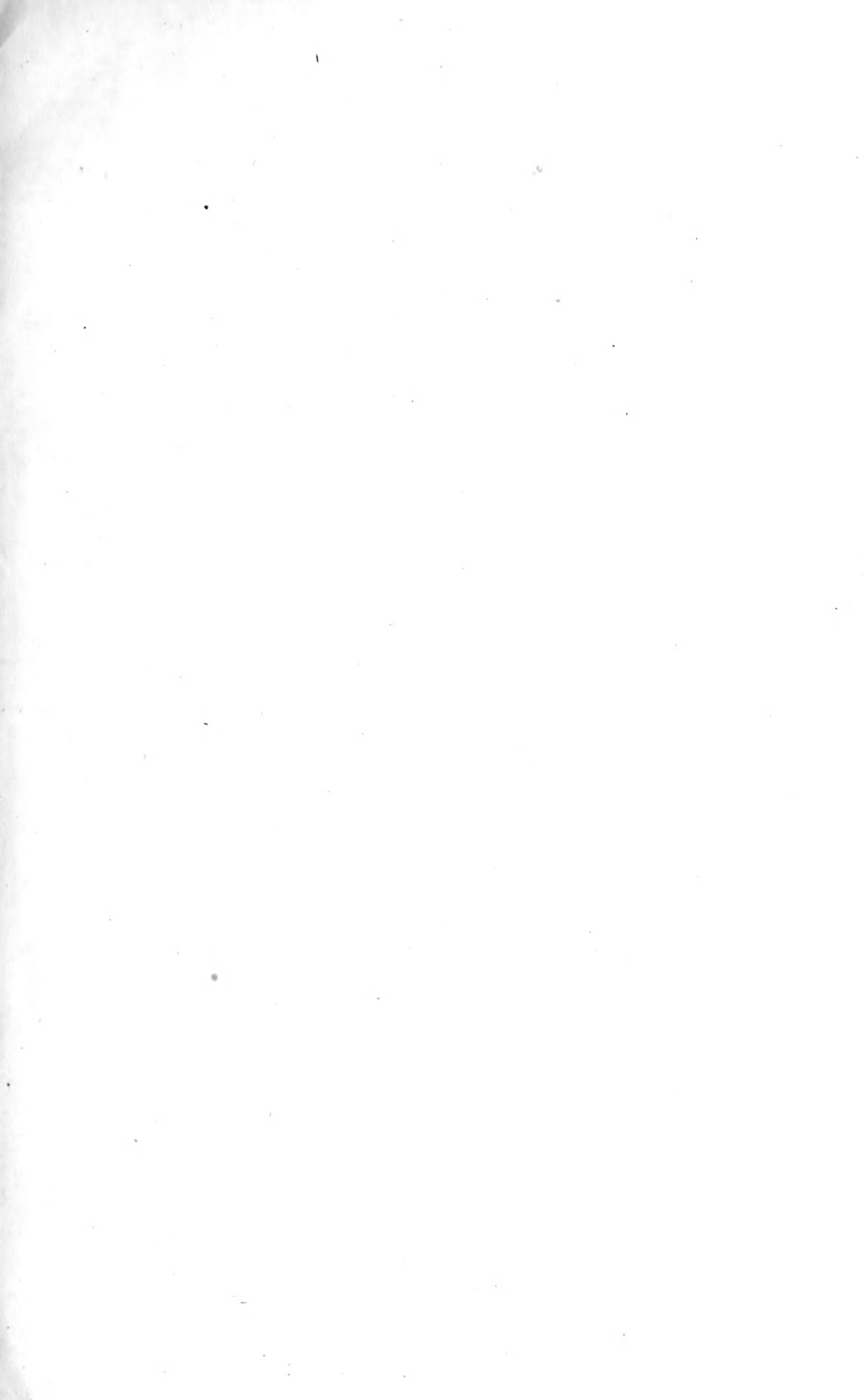




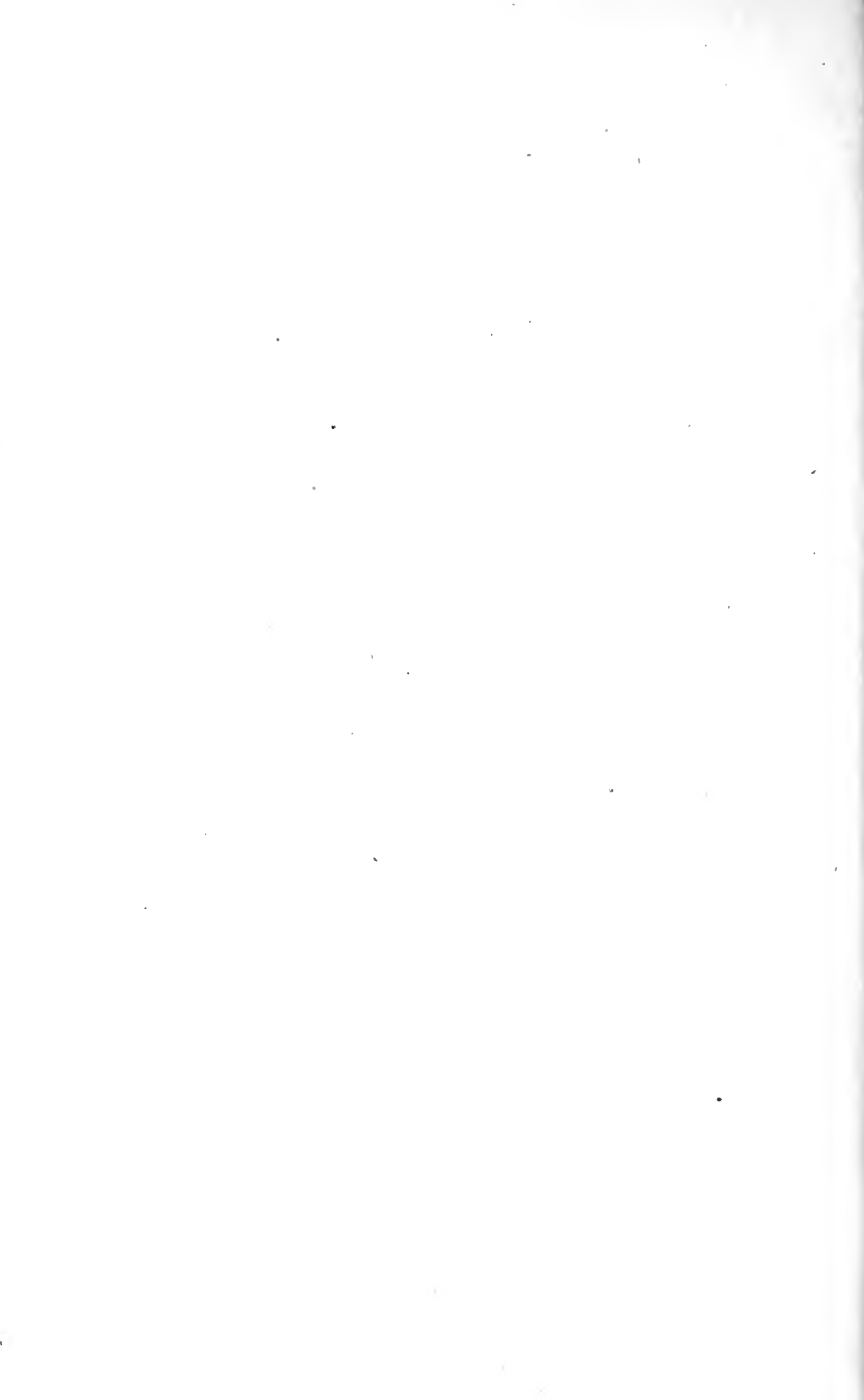
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N.H.Q.



McCAUL

One of the most powerful and beautiful things of life is sentiment. What would life be without it? In fact, is not sentiment one of the chief, if not the chief, element in a college fraternity? Consider the meaning of the Greek words for which Sigma Phi Epsilon stands. Sentiment involves the Spiritual in us—the unseen, the non-temporal, and “the

things that are unseen, they are eternal.”

It is doubtful that the so called “hard-headed business” idea in moving the Headquarters to a more central section of the country would, after all, produce practical results comparable with the intangible results, if you please, which would be lost by such a move.

There is hardly any more valid reason for moving our Headquarters to some central point of our country than there is for the removal of Washington, our Capitol city, to such a locality.

So far as the necessary travel of our fine officials is concerned, we might be reminded that modern speed and mode of travel have almost eliminated time and distance. And, in addition, the present location is nearer, perhaps, a larger proportion of our Chapters and Membership than any other locality would be.

So let us, by all means, keep our historic Headquarters in its original location, which is hallowed by so many pleasant memories and consecrated by so many precious recollections which will always be an inspiration to all the brothers in the years to come.—THOMAS V. McCAUL, Founder, *Virginia Alpha '02, Virginia Eta, '07.*

Apparently the National Headquarters housing developments have created quite a question. I'm submitting my viewpoint for what it's worth on the subject of moving the headquarters. It seems to me that said headquarters should be centrally located so that it can be used by the largest possible number of the active and alumni membership. Consequently, a study can be made to determine which large city would indicate the answer to this question, and at that time the entire mem-

bership can be pooled on the question of moving the headquarters to that city, or one relatively near it which might be more desirable from a transportation and convention standpoint. In any event, it would appear that some midwestern city should be chosen for the three reasons mentioned above; namely, membership, transportation, and accommodations.—ALFRED E. MARKHAM, JR., *Indiana Alpha, '38.*

Expressing an opinion concerning the choice of a location for the new National Headquarters seems to be in vogue. It would be well if more Sig Eps all over the country would put in their two-bits' worth. Our National Officers apparently believe it wise. They probably suspect that there will be a flood of letters to the Central Office after the final decision has been made, protesting the action. Might as well write the letters beforehand.

My personal choice might be Salt Lake City, Utah, if I followed interest and sentiment. But that wouldn't be fair to the east coast. Neither would Ocean Beach, Calif. What do you think about Richmond? Well, with Richmond, Salt Lake City and Ocean Beach get a short-ended deal.

Actually, I believe the thing to do is to draw a line down a map of the United States and one across from coast to coast and put the Central Office in the most adequate city nearest the intersection. Crackpot? No, that's my idea, and this is one less letter to come in after the final action is taken.—LYLE E. HOLMGREN, *Utah Alpha, '36.*

Let's keep the new H.Q. out of the cities having undergraduate chapters. Indianapolis has my support.—AVERY B. DILLE, JR., *Mississippi Beta, '39,* traveling representative, Freit Laboratories, Inc., 1609 Barnett Bank Bldg., Jacksonville, Fla.

→See editorial pages for further facts and opinion on this topic.

### Orchids & Old Eggs

I was quite thrilled with the May JOURNAL cover. It is a wonderful, interesting picture and the Sig Ep is Bob Chalmers who was Pledge #1 of the post-war rebuilding of California Alpha. I was still in the service on the Coast at the time, and put the pledge-button on him.—AVERY B. DILLE, JR., *Mississippi Beta, '39.*

May we forward to you a little criticism which has been called to our attention. From several different sources we have received uncomplimentary remarks to the snapshot appearing on the cover of the last JOURNAL. We are inclined to agree with the critics that say suspenders aren't exactly in tune with the front cover—especially when the Sig Ep heart is also displayed. Our boys are not snobs but we do hope that the cover will show our pin to better advantage next time.—FRED HAFNER, *California Beta.*

Many alumni telephoned to congratulate us on the May JOURNAL cover. The picture lent an informal air to the JOURNAL that had much more appeal than the more formal pictures which, being posed and rather stiff, don't represent the nature of fraternity life at all.—FRED L. GIBSON, president, *California Alpha*.

## Improper?

Some time ago, when reading the *Manual*, I came across the description of the Sigma Phi Epsilon coat of arms. It is my opinion (and I'm ready for correction) that this coat of arms as described in the *Manual* is incorrectly labeled. I quote from the *Manual*: "Crest: a ducal crown beneath a demi glory or." (Page 173) "Ducal crown: a crown without rank." (Page 174) I quote from *English Heraldry* by Charles Boutell: "A crest-coronet must always be carefully distinguished from those coronets that are insignia of noble rank." Again: "Ducal coronet: a term commonly, but always most improperly, applied to a crest-coronet." Not a gripe really, but in the interests of accuracy.—ROGER A. BURGOS, historian, *New York Alpha*, Syracuse, N.Y.

→ Most authorities on heraldry use interchangeably the terms *ducal coronet* and *crest coronet* (the device set at the top of Sigma Phi Epsilon's coat of arms), and Boutell is only one authority. Even so, perhaps the less said about coats of arms in relation to Greek-letter groups the better. We all know that heraldic devices originated strictly as personal genealogical labels, and that fraternities (impersonal corporate bodies) have inherited nothing from the old days of feudalism and knighthood and next to nothing from the educational philosophies of the countries where the devices originated. Fraternities have a spiritual heritage from the old Grecian civilization, but to attempt to assume it with grace and at the same time to flaunt a crest and imply by doing so that our forebears were knights of battle under old English kings, is perhaps plain undemocratic whimsy.

## Whoopee Note

I was in the Glass Hat night club in the Belmont Plaza Hotel on Friday, July 12th, and during the floor show they called six people up from the audience to dance with the chorus girls, etc., with their pants legs rolled up. An army captain won it and I was second, the captain winning a carton of cigs and a kiss from all the girls. In talking to him afterwards, I discovered he was Brother G. P. Brown, '41, Alabama Alpha at Auburn.—JEAN FISHER, *Kansas Gamma*.

→ Come now, Fisher, what did *you* win?

## National Must Set the Stage



ZEKE STANFIELD

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on our public relations policy in answer to your "The N. I. C. on the Big Time." For the keynote of our policy I would suggest this sentence from the article: "The actives will make the public like them because of their inherent good sense and proportionate behavior." This is a very broad statement but a sound one.

It is a little disappointing that the N. I. C. has not come to this conclusion. Of course, success depends upon the fulfillment of a million details, all of which conform to the keynote. It is here that the N. I. C., the various alumni fraternity leaders, can assist the underclassmen in carrying out their inherent good sense and proportionate behavior. That we stand for certain ideals can best be demonstrated to the uninitiated public by our own actions, and what is more important, by the actions of our *actives*.

The problem as it exists in each fraternity must be solved by that fraternity. The N. I. C. could set down methods for each fraternity to follow—but this would tend to curb competition, and competition is a mother to progress and sportsmanship. Of course, the Conference could assist in isolated cases in which that particular Central Office had failed; but may we never have our methods dictated by the Conference! For reasons that it would be unnecessary to detail to free men of open minds, that would be reprehensible.

In Sigma Phi Epsilon we already have our methods, and these methods are assets to our brotherhood, but occasionally it is essential to examine the assets to see if any of them are doubtful. There are times in every undergraduate's life when he feels particularly close to the Fraternity.

The alumni and Grand Officers must realize that it is their responsibility to see that every undergraduate brother is given plenty of time and opportunity to obtain his graduation diploma. We can best aid by keeping vigilance over his housing, his food, and by making sure that our philosophy is presented in an impressive way. The active must find his own methods of selling friendship and preserving that friendship. We cannot act in the play nor can we give it much direction, but we can help to "set the stage."—ZENAS A. STANFIELD, *Tennessee Alpha*, '44.

★ ★ *A thinking man is the worst enemy the Prince of Darkness can have.*—THOMAS CARLYLE.

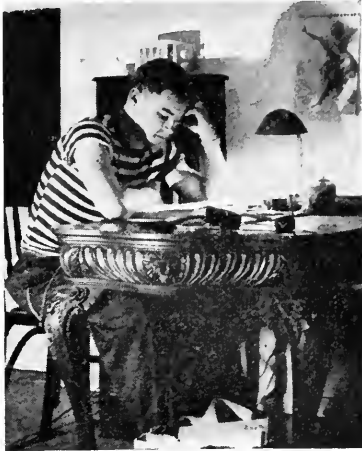
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COMFORTABLY seated at his study table in a tidy and commodious chapter house, sits the president of the Temple University Sig Eps—Van Zandt Janeway—a name somewhat suggestive of a tunnel of love in Holland, but a situation of bright promise, truly representative, it is hoped, of Sigma Phi Epsilon's 72 chapters as a whole.

Veterans return to the campus and become scholars of hithertofore unguessed ability. Chapters acquire houses where no houses are available. A happy keynote, indeed, and a happy omen for the future of fraternities.

The story of the two new Oklahoma chapters is told in "Oklahoma Has Twins," followed by an account of the recent Executive Committee meeting in this bustling state. Then there is a piece on the new Grand President who hails from California (also a good state)—fellow by the name of Ryan.

To put teeth in the gospel of expansion, the Executive Committee has engaged a second Field Secretary—Ted Bush—to work with Ray McCron, and also a third—Frank Ruck. An introduction to Ted appears in this issue, while Frank, more recently hired, will be written up for November.

The District Conventions are also reported this time.

All serious business, you may perceive, with little time for play.

—J.R.



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# EDITORIALS

*THERE is a saying that the English have aimed primarily at liberty, the French at equality, and the Americans at fraternity. . . . Whatever divisions there may be in actual American life are there against the will, or without the knowledge, of most Americans, who rank fraternity among the precious virtues and graces of mankind.—C. VAN DOREN.*

## Loose Ends

Congratulations are in order for the busy men of the Dallas Alumni Association on having been granted a charter as a full-fledged alumni chapter. The Executive Committee unanimously approved the group's petition on July 15, and from that day forward the Dallas Sig Eps have been endowed by the Laws of the Fraternity with certain rights that a so-called alumni association does not enjoy.

An alumni chapter may send an official delegate to the Conclaves, whereas an association may not. It may vote on all petitions and amendments to the Laws of the Fraternity. The main interest of an association is social communion, while an alumni chapter should, in addition, have projects constantly in course which tangibly aid Sigma Phi Epsilon.

There is more alumni news than usual in this issue, the best job of reporting in this line having been done, it seems to us, by Archie Blirer, on the doings of New Jersey Alphans . . .

The outstanding job of undergraduate reporting for this issue, as for the last, was done by Historian Glenn E. Satterly, of the University of Iowa house. In the interests of proportion it was whittled down somewhat before publication, nor could all the excellent photographs be printed. It is hoped that some hardy scrivener-photographer from another chapter will outdo Glenn for the next issue lest he become a three-time winner of the JOURNAL's invisible palm for meritorious reporting. President Warren Hayes

of Iowa Beta was runner-up, with an especially superb report on the Iowa district convention.

One of the things cut out of the fine Iowa Gamma copy was the "Pins Recently Hung" department. Few fraternity publications use engagement announcements, presumably because there is too many a slip 'twixt the lip and the loop. . . .

## Historian My Eye!

It has often struck us that many of Sigma Phi Epsilon's chapter historians may have been elected to the position because they were fellows nice enough to be given an office, the historian's berth being about all that was left to give. Which, of course, is an execrable way of helping the Fraternity to wear its best face. But the position of historian is nebulous at best, nor is the example of the national historian a good one inasmuch as few of these men are given an opportunity to concentrate on Sig Ep history during the solitary year of their incumbency. Certainly, from the standpoint of psychological suggestion, "JOURNAL Correspondent" is better than "Historian," for the very name makes the duty of the former office clear. Also, it is logical to suppose that every chapter ought to have an appointed photographer to snap photos suitable for the chapter albums, which are a wonderful thing to have, and for pictorial material for the JOURNAL, and for beneficial public relations work on the campus and in the town.

Another officer each chapter should have is the chapter editor, whose task is to get out the chapter paper regularly to the alumni. To keep the alumni informed is a prime duty. They are part of the family, some of the older ones being well-heeled uncles, who lived in the chapter house when they were collegians. That bond is tied to the heart forever, though it is lost to the mind when the undergraduates fail to inform the alumni as to current doings by the dear old fireside.



We have tried with utmost vigor for some years now to persuade all chapters not having regular publications for their alumni to launch them at once. Many have done so; yet many others don't give a hoot, being concerned only so long as they live comfortably in glorious boardinghouse fashion. These are the lads who will be ingloriously ignored by their alumni when they need help.

It is flattering yet somewhat ironical that Sigma Chi's Chester W. Cleveland, \$13,500-a-year-editor of that progressive and workmanlike fraternity's six-times-a-year publication, in selling a chapter publication program to Sigma Chis, that they might improve their already enviable position, should use, with acknowledgment to Sigma Phi Epsilon, the following blurb which we wrote for our own JOURNAL: "All chapters of the Fraternity which do not at present prepare news letters for circulation among their alumni should make plans to launch them at once if they are interested in competing successfully with the leading fraternities in holding alumni interest and support."

Another officer which it seems to us every chapter needs badly is a librarian. A library is always a good thing, even when used for little more than decoration and show. William Allen White, a great Phi Delta Theta, tells in his *Autobiography* how his son William L. White, today a celebrated writer, was

initiated into his father's fraternity at Kansas, remained for a year and a half, and then transferred to Harvard chiefly because the Kansas Phi Delta library consisted of only two books, one of which an enterprising brother was attempting to swap for a Latin pony.

We can't help wondering how long it will be before our members realize that the chapter house job of historian, as such, is outmoded, and that what is really needed in his place in this more functional day in which the quality of excellence must belong to the average, is a quartet: a JOURNAL correspondent, an editor, a photographer, and a librarian.

### **Honor Your Warriors!**

Before more time lapses, every active chapter not having done so should set up a careful project of ascertaining the service history of every man on the roster, including the gold stars.

It is suggested that a committee be appointed to undertake a complete and accurate service directory for the chapter. Now is the time to do it.

After all the names have been assembled, together with some very brief account as to branch of service, rank, tenure, and the like, a method should be chosen for enrolling these names in permanent form; perhaps a

*Today many of our chapters are far stronger than ever before. They are truly tops on their respective campuses and intend to remain there. During the 1945-46 session over 1000 men were initiated and nearly 1800 were pledged. Many who were not pledged until late in the year are now ready to be initiated. Hundreds and hundreds of old actives returned to give their chapters the benefit of their wisdom and experience. Two new chapters, Oklahoma Beta at the University of Oklahoma, and Oklahoma Gamma at the University of Tulsa, joined our brotherhood and many more are expected to follow. Many alumni again are finding time to work with our undergraduate chapters and are at the same time working hard on reactivation programs for their own alumni chapters and associations.*

*A few of our chapters have not yet reactivated, but this number is becoming smaller. Soon all seventy-two of our chapters should be open and operating. Meanwhile we shall begin to reopen wherever possible old chapters that have been dormant.*

*We shall need a new slogan, such as "Ever Forward" or something of this nature. Any suggestions for a new slogan will be much appreciated. Send them to Richmond.*

*If we are on our toes, Sigma Phi Epsilon will accomplish a great deal in the period ahead which I feel we may call the Golden Era of College Fraternities.*

—WILLIAM W. HINDMAN, JR.

bronze tablet, or wooden plaque, or framed parchment, which will show the coming college generations that the Sig Eps have done a good job to honor their warriors.

## **Fraternities vs. Hay-Baling**

While more and more young Americans are flocking to the campus, America's leading philosophers of education are clamoring for a new education to supplant one which is denounced as being insufficiently functional and belonging to the age of Alexander the Great.

It is pointed out that our universities are designed to equip with assorted "facts" that space in physical *Homo sapiens* commonly known as "from the ears up." Willard Beecher, a reputable consulting psychologist, makes this point in a recent magazine article, adding that "this operation resembles hay-baling in many respects."

He asserts that if anyone wants to know just how unsuccessful this process has been in developing social human beings, he has only to add the costs of two wars and one depression, the cost of maintaining the insane in hospitals, of crime and crime detection, and of similar socially crippling factors.

"Schools," he declares, "have piously wiped their hands of the responsibility for such matters. But these things represent failures in education. They mean only that we have not learned or been taught how to solve the problems of living together as social animals."

"There is absolutely no place in the college day's routine which is devoted to the study of human relations problems. As a matter of fact, such discussion and teaching are excluded, for they tend to develop 'controversial material.'"

It is at this point that the men's fraternities are conspicuous in their absence from the consideration. They do provide a place in the day's routine devoted to human relations. Frederick Lawson Hovde, the progressive Phi Delt president of Purdue University, says he is especially interested in the fraternity as an educational device because it "is completely self-operated by students and therefore likely to be more effective than living units controlled by university regulation and discipline."

President Hovde has all but admitted a fact that is becoming ever more clearly revealed; namely, that the fraternity is itself an educational institution, based on wholesome essentials that are foreign—even in conflict with—the outworn categorical methods of education as the universities know it.

The truth about both these divergent educational institutions is that the college rightfully exists for the man, as does the fraternity. The college sins to heaven for having it otherwise. The philosophy of university administration and the curriculum prescribe that the man be made for the college and that the fraternity be made for the college also. That is an evil premise.

The trouble is that the collective administrative personality of university education excretes far too much conceit and smugness to permit any real healthful openmindedness to exist. It is too much a "master" spirit, and not sufficiently a "servant" spirit. There is too much an aura of pride and vanity, and not at all one of humility. Moreover, brilliant terminologists are generally devoid of emotional intelligence.

It is only a matter of time before the mentors of the National Interfraternity Conference, in laying the foundations of a public relations program, will see that it is this culpable defection of the colleges which mainly prevents the public from holding the Greek-letter groups in wholesome respect, and not some zany misdeed that is occasionally done by some of the boys while they are being boys.

## **N. H. Q.**

Whether the National Headquarters of the Fraternity should remain in Richmond or whether it should be relocated at some geographically more central point continues to be a forward question among Sig Eps who are interested in the affairs of the brotherhood.

By early spring a great many chapters had discussed this topic at formal meetings, and now it is interesting to note that action pertaining to it was taken by one of the District Conventions. At the District XV meeting, held on April 6 and 7, in Fort Collins, Colo., presided over by District Governor William C. Smolenske, and embracing the active Sig

Eps of Colorado University, Denver University, Colorado A. & M., Colorado Mines, Utah A. & M., and Wyoming University, the convening body decided to present a petition to locate the Headquarters in the Midwest "so it would be more centrally located."

The large, always active Detroit Alumni Chapter, on the other hand, upon general discussion of this topic during a meeting last May, reported that "after consideration of all phases of the question, it was the unanimous vote of all the members in attendance that no change should be made." As Jack Jordan reported, "fraternity tradition was held to outweigh any material advantage of a more central location."

Meanwhile in the Letters section of this issue, a founder of Sigma Phi Epsilon, the Rev. Thomas Vaden McCaul, pastor of the Baptist Church, of Gainesville, Fla., expresses a strong plea on behalf of retaining the national headquarters in the birth city of the Fraternity. Next to Grand Secretary Emeritus William L. Phillips, also a founder, "Uncle Tom" has doubtless done more than any other founder for the brotherhood that he helped to establish. In the fall of 1902 he began movement for forming chapters of Sig Ep at Bethany, at Washington and Jefferson, and West Virginia University. His efforts on behalf of a chapter at the University of Virginia counted considerably. He also helped launch Florida Alpha at the University.

Countless members will appreciate the viewpoint of these revered founders, champions of tradition and sentiment.

It is interesting to follow the reaction of the undergraduates on this question as more and more of them, their voices earnestly solicited, respond to the issue.

"Most of our members," writes Historian Charles Woodman of Alabama Beta, "feel that Richmond should be retained as the National Headquarters locale, however, there is a minority inclined to favor some large midwestern city such as St. Louis or Chicago."

"Oregon Alpha is strongly in favor of moving the headquarters westward," writes Harry C. Bleile. "Chicago, or some such large city in the central section, Kansas City might make a good location."

"Vote Chicago first choice Central Office,

Richmond second," wrote Air Corps Capt. John F. A. Wiederhold, Illinois Alpha, '39, filling out the discharge blank of his May JOURNAL, which he clipped and sent us.

Colorado Delta: "Should be more centralized, thus having headquarters in one of the midwestern states."

The headquarters picture of the national fraternities in general proves little, or, if anything, perhaps that geography is unimportant. The largest of them, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, maintains a lavish headquarters building in Evanston, Ill., not far from Chicago. Two large nationals, Lambda Chi Alpha and Sigma Nu, conduct their central offices in Indianapolis. Sigma Chi holds forth in Chicago.

Another large national, Phi Delta Theta, is conducted from offices located in Oxford, Ohio, the seat of Miami University, on whose campus the fraternity was born. However, besides Phi Delta Theta, among sixty member fraternities of the National Interfraternity Conference eleven maintain headquarters in the localities where they were founded: Delta Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Sigma Delta, Sigma Alpha Mu, Sigma Tau Phi, Tau Delta Phi, Tau Epsilon Phi, Zeta Beta Tau, Zeta Psi, and our own. More than half of these are in New York City, which seems to have an unusual attraction, affording central offices for an even twenty fraternities—one-third of the lot. Chicago, Indianapolis, and Philadelphia are runners-up cities with three groups apiece.

Perhaps geography isn't so important after all. An interesting opinion is voiced by Ralph Kley Meyer, representing the University of Texas Sig Eps in a great state that is almost a nation by itself. "Nobody around here," writes Kley Meyer, "seems particularly concerned over the ultimate location of the national headquarters." Then, hastening on to a more difficult matter, he laments: "We are sweating out a new chapter record book, ordered some time ago. We can't initiate any new men without one—or can we?"

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★ ★ *Were I called on to define, very briefly, the term art, I should call it "the reproduction of what the senses perceive in nature through the veil of the soul."*—EDGAR ALLAN POE.



Charter and honorary members of the Oklahoma Gamma of Sigma Phi Epsilon snapped at the chapter's installation banquet held at Tulsa May 26. Front row, left to right, Gail Thomas, Lindsay Mitchell, William Bassett, Judge Earle Frost (Grand president), Jack Paxton, Charles Featherston, and Jack Crudup. Back row: Bill Baker, Robert McDuffie, Jack Hale, George Weaver, John Hayes, Robert Wright, Charles Bloom, honorary member, Nelson Terrell, Bud Henshaw, honorary member and Edwin Smith.

## OKLAHOMA HAS TWINS

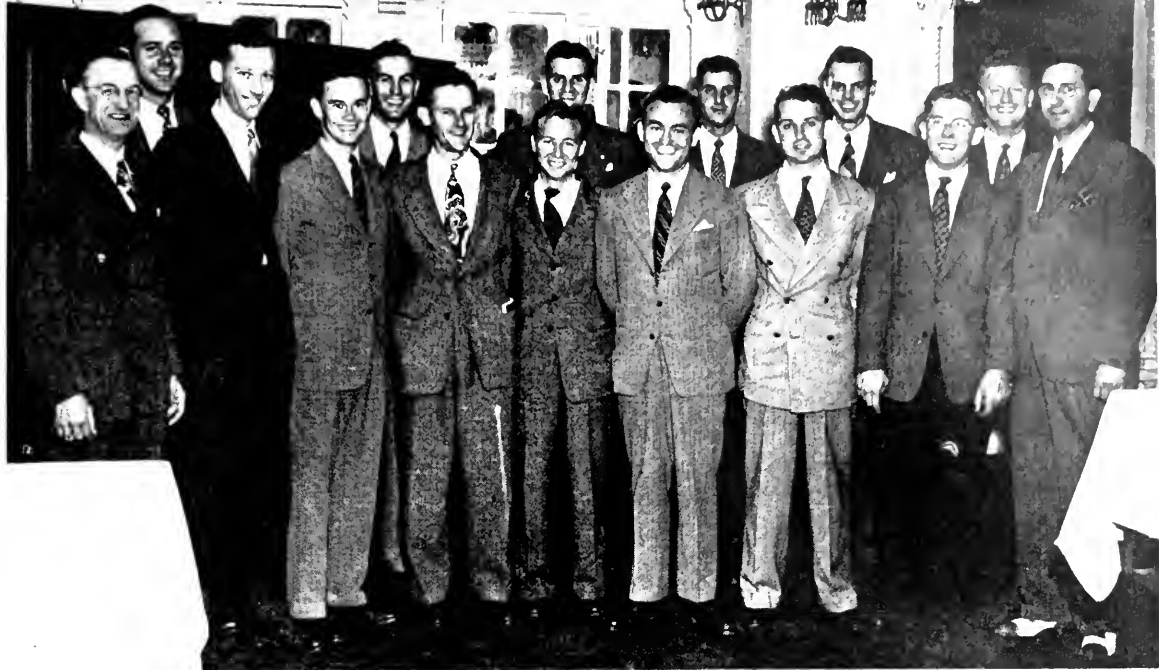
One new chapter at the University of Oklahoma and another at the University of Tulsa are added to Sigma Phi Epsilon's growing roster.

**S**IGMA PHI EPSILON, a rousing brotherhood of sturdy male collegians, holding forth according to the best style of neighborly living on 70 campuses throughout America, has garnered its first two chapters since the war—one at the University of Oklahoma, Norman; the other at Tulsa University, Tulsa.

The installation of Oklahoma Beta at the University of Oklahoma was held on June 1, in which fourteen charter members were initiated. In these ceremonies, Junior Grand Marshal William C. Smolenske, Colorado Beta, '13, was the installing officer. The installation of Oklahoma Gamma at the University of Tulsa was held on May 26 in which fourteen actives and three honorary members were initiated, with Grand Presi-



At Tulsa, Grand President Earle W. Frost presents a copy of the Ritual to President Jack Paxton of the local on Tulsa's campus which became Oklahoma Gamma on May 26.



Charter members of Oklahoma Beta Chapter, Huckins Hotel, Oklahoma City, June 1, 1946. Left to right: William C. Smolenske, Junior Grand Marshal, Denver, Colo., R. H. Hawkins, Fairland, Charles Clark, Haworth, William J. Chapman, Ponca City, Clyde R. King, Stephenville, Tex., John E. Watson, Tulsa, Robert L. Andrews, Grove, Loyd Andrew, Nowata, Okla., Quinton Peters, Hominy, Harry S. Baer, Pittsburg, Kan. David George, Tulsa, Billy C. Holderness, Carlsbad, N.M., James H. Cobbs, Sapulpa, Jack Biggerstaff, Lexington, and Tom G. Sexton, District XIV Governor, Norman. Absent: Guy W. Leach.

dent Earle W. Frost, Kansas Beta, '20, presenting the charter.

The June 1 ceremony was the fourth such since Pearl Harbor, Wyoming Alpha at the University of Wyoming having been added to the roster on May 1, 1943, and New Jersey Beta at Rutgers University on January 15, 1944.

Both of the local fraternities that were granted charters had been established for the purpose of petitioning Sig Ep. The Oklahoma group, Phi Epsilon, came into being through the instigation of District Governor Thompson G. Sexton, Oklahoma Alpha, who spent countless hours in working with the individual members and conferring with alumni. The Tulsa group, Sigma Epsilon, was fostered chiefly by Grand Guard Larkin Bailey, California Alpha, '23, and a group of Tulsa alumni working with members of the campus interfraternity council.

Oklahoma's Alpha chapter is at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, and was installed in April, 1919.

A new chapter at the University of Oklahoma gets its start when Junior Grand Marshal William C. Smolenske hands the charter to President Quinton Peters at Oklahoma City.

## ★ TULSA ★

By Harry Heath

An initiation team from Oklahoma Alpha at Oklahoma A. & M. College, headed by Chapter President S. M. Hart, initiated 14 actives and three honorary members into Sig



Ep bonds on May 26, and a new chapter at Tulsa was off to a fine start.

The busy round of activities got under way at 8:00 A.M., May 26 in the home of Alumnus Member Robert G. Fry, where the local Sigma Epsilon group met for breakfast. Following the breakfast, the installation and initiation took place in the home of Dr. Sheldon Spencer, another alumnus, where luncheon was served to new members of Sigma Phi Epsilon's new chapter.

The installation banquet was held in the Tulsa Club that night, with Grand President Earle Wesley Frost presenting the charter to Jack Paxton, president of the local which had petitioned Sigma Phi Epsilon, and now vice-president of Oklahoma Gamma.

Speaking to the new initiates, and a large group of alumni from the Northeast Oklahoma Alumni chapter, Grand President Frost cited the Fraternity's rapid growth since its founding in 1901, and challenged Oklahoma Gamma to carry on the high traditions of the Fraternity in striving to become one of its outstanding chapters. He pointed to a membership of over 25,000 members, and the prospects for a great post-war period of growth. Reminding the group of the success of many Sig Eps, he pointed to Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, Capt. Harry Butler, naval aide to General Eisenhower and author of *My Three Years with Eisenhower*; Senator

Harry F. Byrd, Gov. William Tuck of Virginia, Basil O'Connor, director of the Red Cross; Hal Boyle, famous war correspondent, and others.

The welcoming address was made by Alumnus Russell Rhodes, manager of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce. Dr. C. I. Pontius, president of the University of Tulsa, made a brief speech welcoming Sigma Phi Epsilon to the Tulsa campus. Tulsa U. for years has encouraged the growth of national Greek-letter groups on the campus, and Doctor Pontius made it clear that Tulsa was proud to have Sigma Phi Epsilon. He praised the hard work of Tulsa alumni in bringing the chapter into being.

Toastmaster was L. E. Moyer, Jr., alumnus of Oklahoma Alpha, while entertainment was furnished by Donald J. Woolsey, Oklahoma Alpha alumnus, and Charles Featherston, Oklahoma Gamma.

A tribute to the late national president, Charles L. Yancey, prominent Tulsa lawyer, was delivered by Larkin Bailey, Grand Guard of Sigma Phi Epsilon, followed by a minute of silent prayer.

Brief remarks were made by Thompson G. Sexton, governor of District XIV, and Jack Paxton, who received the charter from the Grand President. The banquet was closed with the Sig Ep Anthem.

Officers of the Eastern Oklahoma Alumni

At the installation banquet, Tulsa, Okla., which fêted the birth of a Sig Ep chapter at the University of Tulsa.







At the installation banquet, Oklahoma City, which fêted the birth of Oklahoma Beta at the University of Oklahoma, Norman.

Chapter present were Fred H. Murdock, president; Joe F. Haines, vice-president; Wesley F. Shaw, secretary-treasurer; Robert G. Fry, historian, and Dr. Sheldon Spencer, sergeant at arms.

Charter members of Oklahoma Gamma were Jack D. Paxton, president; Edwin G. Smith, vice-president; William H. Bassett, Jr., treasurer; L. E. Mitchell, secretary; Charles Featherston, corresponding secretary; Jack E. Hale, John Hayes, Bill Baker, Jack Crudup, Robert N. McDuffie, Nelson E. Terrell, Gail Thomas, George Weaver, and Robert E. Wright. Honorary members initiated were Charles H. Bloom, Charles C. Mason, and Harold L. Henshaw.

The home of Oklahoma Gamma, the University of Tulsa, is fifty-one years old, and in the middle of its greatest era of growth. The University is in the midst of a \$5,000,000 building program which already has seen more than half of the money secured or promised, and two new permanent buildings are under way at this writing—the Varsity Book Store and the Men's Memorial Dormitory.

In normal times, the University has an enrollment of approximately 1,000 regular campus students, of which two-thirds have been men. The University comprises the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Petroleum Sciences and Engineering and Fine Arts, and the School of Law, the Graduate Division and the Downtown College.

During the semester which has just closed, the enrollment was boosted to nearly 3,000 by returning veterans, and in the fall the

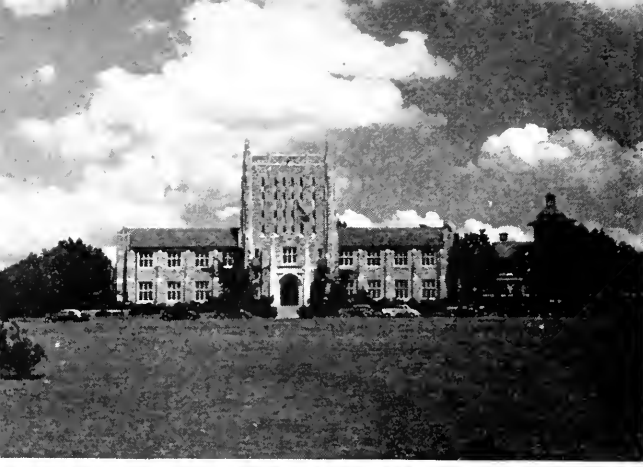
University is making adjustments to serve 4,000 students.

The work of the College of Engineering is probably most widely known, particularly for its curriculums in petroleum production and refining engineering.

The unusual growth of Tulsa has been reflected in the development of the University. In 1920 the Board of Trustees decided that the scope of the College's work should be broadened, and the University of Tulsa was created, the name Henry Kendall being retained as the title of the College of Arts and Sciences. Eight years later, by action of the Oklahoma Synod, control of the University was vested in a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees.

Financial campaigns and independent gifts increased the resources and facilities of the institution during its first twenty years in Tulsa, but it has realized its greatest growth since 1928. In the earlier period two Tulsa oil men had added a dormitory and a gymnasium to the original buildings, and a substantial endowment had been acquired. Since that time, however, gifts totaling an additional \$2,000,000 have been made to the University by Tulsa citizens for buildings, equipment and endowment.

In 1929 the Phillips Engineering Building, the McFarlin Library Building, and the Tyrrell Hall of Fine Arts were given to the University by Tulsa citizens. Many individuals joined one principal donor in 1930 to provide Skelly Field, where the University's athletic events are held. In 1937 the Eva Noble Bequest of \$235,000 was received, and in the next year a number of gifts were



McFarlin Library, University of Tulsa.

made to the University, including that of the Chapman Building, a three-story structure in the Tulsa business district, which houses the University Downtown College. During this period approximately \$750,000 was added to the active endowment funds of the University.

In 1939 the petroleum engineering curriculums were approved by the Engineers' Council for Professional Development and the University was included in the approved list of the Association of American Universities.

In addition to the accreditation mentioned above, the University is a member of or is accredited by the North Central Association, the National Association of Schools of Music, the American Council on Education, the Association of American Colleges, the National Conference of Church Related Colleges, the American Association of University Women. Its pre-medical and pre-legal curriculums are approved by the American Medical and American Bar Associations, and its law school is approved by the Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma.

The beginning of the fall term (1945-46) found the University of Tulsa with only four

fraternities on the campus, which were unable to accommodate the large flow of men back from the service. Another fraternity was needed, and quickly.

The Interfraternity Council of the University appointed a committee to talk to some of these men for the purpose of organizing a new group. The first meeting was held April 11, 1946, and the men were interested in Sigma Phi Epsilon. At this meeting it was decided that they would organize a local chapter and apply to the national for a charter as soon as possible.

The next meeting, April 14, found the same men gathered again, prepared to screen the submitted names, express their choices and work out the details. This meeting was honored by the presence of Ray McCron, new Field Secretary of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

On April 24, the group adopted its constitution—with the name Sigma Epsilon—and laid plans for petitioning.

Soon after the group had been installed as Oklahoma Gamma, a new election of officers was held.

The officers of Oklahoma Gamma Chapter are as follows: Robert H. Harmon (past president of Oklahoma Alpha), president; Jack Paxton, vice-president; William Bassett, comptroller; John Hayes, historian; Jack Mitchell, secretary; Jack Hale, guard; Gail Thomas, senior marshal; and Nelson Terrell, junior marshal.

The petitioners are Bill Baker, William H. Bassett, Jr., Charles Featherston, Jack E. Hale, Bob W. Jamar, Robert N. McDuffie, L. E. Mitchell, Jack D. Paxton, Edwin G. Smith, Nelson E. Terrell, George Weaver, and Robert E. Wright.

Other Greek-letter groups for men at Tulsa U. are—Alpha Tau Omega, Lambda Chi Alpha, Kappa Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha nationals, and one new local, Phi Delta.

Sororities are Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Phi Mu, Kappa Delta and the local Alpha Pi Theta, which is petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma at this time.

Aerial view of the campus, University of Tulsa, seat of third Oklahoma chapter.





# ★ OKLAHOMA ★

By Quinton Peters

Fourteen charter members of Oklahoma Beta at the University of Oklahoma were initiated into Sigma Phi Epsilon at the Huckins Hotel in Oklahoma City, on Saturday, June 1.

An installation team from the Oklahoma A. & M. chapter at Stillwater did the work and was headed by President S. M. Hart, Vice-President Frank Boutell, and Secretary Hal Hazelrigg. The installation arrangements committee consisted of Parks Yeats, Oklahoma Alpha; Raymond Poe, Colorado Beta; and Duke Ewing, Oklahoma Alpha, '24.

Dr. William C. Smolenske, Colorado Beta, '13, Junior Grand Marshal, Governor of the Fraternity's Fifteenth District, welcomed the new chapter into the national organization. We were smothered with telegrams and letters of welcome and congratulations from all over the country.

The banquet following the initial proceedings featured the presentation of the charter by Dr. Smolenske, an official welcome from President George L. Cross of the University of Oklahoma, and addresses by Grand Guard Larkin Bailey, California Alpha, '23, and Governor of District XIV Thompson G. Sexton, Oklahoma Alpha.

It is probably Tom Sexton who is the "father" of the new chapter, for the organizational work he expended on its behalf was prodigious. The Phi Epsilon local group resulted from his talks with students at the University and from the work of a nucleus of Norman alumni including V. G. Edmondson, Iowa Gamma; Dr. Jim Haddock, Oklahoma Alpha; Leslie H. Rice, Missouri Alpha; Robert J. Smith, Wisconsin Alpha; and Harry Synar, Oklahoma Alpha.

Charter members are: Quinton Samuel Peters, Harry S. Baer, Jr., Robert Leonard Andrews, James Harold Cobbs, David Crockett George, Clyde Richard King, John Enos Watson, Homer Luster Biggerstaff, Jr., Charles Edwin Clark, Jr., Billy Charles Holderness, R. H. Hawkins, Loyd Dorsey Andrew, William Jack Chapman, Gus Wayne Leach, Morris T. Haggard.

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## NEW CHAPTER PAPERS

CHAPTERS of Sigma Phi Epsilon publishing regular news letters to their alumni will be proud to welcome into their guild two new papers: The "Sig Ep Review" of the Wake Forest Sig Eps and the "New York Gammazette." There may be others, unreported, and surely there will be others, for recent reports from the chapters contain frequent mention of launching plans for publications at an early date.

Under the editorship of Parley A. King, Jr., the North Carolina Zeta paper will be issued bi-monthly. It is a thoroughly excellent and newsy sheet, five columns in a highly professional printing style, with a snappy editorial and well-balanced news coverage.

The "Gammazette" is a mimeographed sheet, skillfully edited by Richard Lupke, featuring an illustrated front page, a signed editorial, and many newsy items, both of the active chapter and of alumni doings.

Other chapters have been busy with their papers. The "Sig Ep Saga" of Kentucky Alpha, edited by Jim Wood, has issued another number following its initial one, and the quality is absolutely top-notch. Oregon Alpha in the summer published the "Sig Epic." Tennessee Alpha's "News Letter" continues with admirable regularity as does the "Fusil Oil" of New York Delta. Others are the superlative "Deltaurian" of Massachusetts Beta, chiefly the work of T. L. Sanderson, who must slave over each issue like a trooper—there is so much good work in it. Also the newly launched "Sig Ep Volunteer" of the enterprising Kansas Gamma men, and the euphonious "Sig Epsilogue" of Ohio Epsilon, edited by Dick Wisecarver.

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The inaugural issue of the SIG EP REVIEW of North Carolina Zeta, edited by Parley A. King, Jr.

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**Alumni Board To Govern SFE**



SFE's First Board The 1st Board To Govern

**Old And New**

**Law School's Return Will Bring Six**

**Notes Here On National**

The Review is a new publication of the North Carolina Zeta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. It is a bi-monthly news sheet, five columns in a highly professional printing style, with a snappy editorial and well-balanced news coverage. The inaugural issue was published in June, 1935, and was edited by Parley A. King, Jr. The Review is a new addition to the list of chapter publications, and it is hoped that it will be a success.



Uncle Billy Phillips, honor guest of gala banquet tendered by Tulsa alumni, at which he was duly initiated into the Pawnee tribe as Chief Cu-ra-hoos (Chief High Eagle) by two full-blooded Indian chiefs, poses in front of the Executive Committee meeting room at the Hotel Tulsa with some of his "braves." Seated, left to right: Dr. Smolenske, Luis Roberts, Walter Fly, William L. Phillips, Ed Moyer, Edwin Buchanan, Bill Hindman. Kneeling, left to right: Frank Ruck, Ray McCron, Larkin Bailey, Bob Harmon, president, Oklahoma Gamma; Jack Crudup, Oklahoma Gamma; Charles Thompson. Standing, left to right: Ted Bush, John Robson, Jack Hale, secretary, Oklahoma Gamma; Bill Love, Oklahoma Alpha; Gene Wright, Oklahoma Gamma; Charles Featherston, Oklahoma Gamma; William Bassett, Oklahoma Gamma; Bob Ryan, Jack Mitchell, Oklahoma Gamma; Gale Thomas, Oklahoma Gamma; J. C. King (pledge), Oklahoma Gamma; Avery B. Dille, Mississippi Beta, '39, of Natchez, Miss. (Photo by Randall, Tulsa World.)

## HEAD SIG EPS MEET AT TULSA

The Executive Committee reviews the past year, votes an enlarged budget, and sets up a program for continuing growth; Billy Phillips is honored.

**E**XPANSION to new campuses, enlargement and concentration of services, and stimulation of greater alumni participation were the compound keynote of the Fraternity's first post-war Executive Committee meeting, held August 12, 13, and 14 in Tulsa, Okla., in the air-conditioned American Room of the Hotel Tulsa.

The Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Chapter and newly installed Oklahoma Gamma at the University of Tulsa served as heroic hosts



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for the gathering, which featured on the social side a gala banquet honoring Uncle Billy Phillips, the like of which has seldom been staged. In accordance with the up-through-the-chairs system Luis Roberts, California Beta, '28, became Junior Grand Marshal, while Earle Frost became past Grand President, as Robert L. Ryan moved up to the presidency.

On the business side, there were more participants than there had ever been, contributing testimony and council to the deliberations of the Executive Committee, comprised of Grand President Earle W. Frost, Grand Vice-president Robert L. Ryan, Grand Treasurer Edwin Buchanan, Grand Historian Walter G. Fly, Grand Guard Larkin Bailey, and Grand Marshals Charles S. Thompson, and Dr. William C. Smolenske.

The Endowment Fund was represented by Trustees E. Reed Hunt, Phillips, and Frost.

Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr. provided the detailed agenda and brought with him three other delegates from the Central Office, Field Secretaries Ray McCron, Ted Bush, and Frank Ruck, the last named having joined the staff on the very day that the meeting opened. (A biographical article on Ruck will appear in the November JOURNAL.)

District Governor Thompson G. Sexton, "father of Oklahoma Beta," attended the first day's sessions, while Avery B. Dille, Jr., Mississippi Beta, '39, an impassioned apostle of fraternity who has at his own expense visited more than half of the Sig Ep chapters, was present at every session.

On the last day of the meeting, the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, through its general manager Russell S. Rhodes, Virginia Epsilon,

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### *The New Officer*

LUIS JOEL ROBERTS, California Beta, '28, new Junior Grand Marshal of the Fraternity, is also the "father" and president of the newly chartered Dallas Alumni Chapter. Always active in the Fraternity and an eager worker for its advancement, he served as District Governor of Ohio Alpha, Ohio Gamma, Ohio Epsilon, and Michigan Alpha, during the war years when he was situated in Akron, Ohio, with the B. F. Goodrich Company, his present employer in Dallas, Tex.

Comptroller and president of his college chapter, he soon became president of the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter which group he represented at the Los Angeles Conclave in 1940.

A well-balanced, four-square sort of fellow, he is at once piercingly intelligent and forceful and disarmingly informal. He is a dynamic serious-idea man who also has a sense of robust fun.

On the Trojan campus he was both athlete and student, an outstanding leader as well as one of the boys. His hobbies since college have been squash, football, and aeronautics, and he is a member of the American Society of Chemical Engineers, life member of both the Southern California Alumni Association and the Los Angeles Athletic Club. He is married and has four children.

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'16, presented an invitation to establish the new national headquarters of the Fraternity in Tulsa.

### State of the Chapters

The report of the Grand Secretary revealed that there are 72 active chapters on the roster, the condition of 60 of these being excellent, the remainder fair or poor. District Governor Tom Sexton, adviser of the newly installed University of Oklahoma chapter at Norman, announced the purchase of a house two blocks from the campus at 518 South Boulevard. The Kansas and Rensselaer men also bought houses. Nevertheless, housing continues to be a grave problem for a number of chapters, including University of Mississippi, Dartmouth, New York University, Bucknell, and University of Wisconsin. At all the chapters veterans seem anxious to join and there is no dearth of manpower. Many chapters need to form a closer, more direct liaison with their alumni boards, and to stimulate anew alumni interest and support, since in so many instances the war has caused this vital asset to evaporate. The wise chapters are seeking to hold their alumni by getting them back twice a year—at fall homecoming and reunion at commencement—and by issuing chapter papers to their alumni regularly, at least once every two months. Chapters that do not regard this program as a "must" may definitely expect to be outclassed by their competitors.

With the renewal of alumni group activity in larger population centers, it is expected that many chapters still dormant will receive boosts sufficiently helpful to reactivate them. A great deal more of alumni activity is needed.

To intensify work of the Central Office on various campuses and increase the extent of services, a considerably increased budget was approved.

### Conclave

The first post-war Conclave is scheduled for the latter part of August, 1947, the place being Kansas City, the host the Kansas City Alumni Chapter. Chapters will be instructed concerning preparations for this meeting, which cannot hope to be successful unless the active chapter delegates chosen are truly quali-

fied and well versed in the affairs of other chapters as well as their own. Every chapter library should contain a bound copy of the Minutes of past Conclaves, including that of the last Conclave at Los Angeles in 1940. The Grand Chapter pays the essential expenses of one delegate from each chapter, active and alumni, however this obligation is void where a chapter is in financial arrears as is the vote which it is every chapter's normal right to cast.

### National Interfraternity Conference

A resolution was passed expressing disapproval of the enlargement and increased expense of participation in the National Interfraternity Conference. It was pointed out that the directorate of the Conference was so heavily laden with oldsters having an educators' and hence often an anti-fraternity viewpoint that the alleged representativeness for campus Greek-letter groups becomes farcical. It is seen that the keynote of the Conference is produced by a New York coterie, the perspective of which is unhappily alien to the nation-wide collegiate realm, and the perspective of the Conference concerning the viewpoint of youth is ludicrous, what with at least one important official of the organization having been graduated from college ten years before Admiral Dewey captured Manila.

Sigma Phi Epsilon delegates chosen to represent the Fraternity at the 1946 sessions of the N.I.C. are Phillips, Hindman, and Robson, the alternates being Fly and Thompson.

### National Headquarters

While the erection of a new national headquarters building cannot be envisaged for the near future, the proposals of Sig Ep architects who may be interested are welcome. It is seen that a great many of the 60 N.I.C. fraternities conduct their central offices effectively in rented office suites, only about six of the lot having their own headquarters buildings. It is also seen that the importance of geography is not absolute in this matter, where cultural atmosphere and tradition may also be important.

Walter G. Fly was appointed to the National Headquarters board of trustees to suc-



In the Ivory Room of the Hotel Mayo at Tulsa, 160 Sig Eps, wives, and sweethearts enjoy a dinner, tendered by the Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Chapter, honoring "Uncle Billy Phillips, Grand Old Man of Our Fraternity."

ceed Morgan Mills, Virginia Alpha, '17, resigned.

It is presumed that the delegates of the 1947 Conclave shall decide (1) Whether the headquarters is to remain at Richmond, the birthplace of the Fraternity or be moved to a more central location; (2) Whether a new building is to be erected or a suitable suite of offices leased. Given that much major direction, the Executive Committee would work out the details.

### Visitations

Uncle Billy Phillips made several trips in the East this past year. Early in the fall he went to New York to attend the initiation and reactivation banquet of New York Gamma. On this trip he also visited New Jersey Beta alumni and Wagner College. In November he attended the Interfraternity Conference in New York. In March he went to Washington, D.C. to attend the Annual Founders' Day banquet of D.C. Alpha. He continued on to Philadelphia to be present at the reorganization meeting of Pennsylvania Mu. In April he paid another visit to New Jersey to work out the final details of a proposed New Jersey Beta second installation banquet.

John Robson worked in the Central Office from the beginning of January until May 15. During this time he made 39 visitations to 37 chapters and to two prospective ones. He visited New England, part of the Middle Atlantic States, and the Middle West and South West.

Ray McCron started to work in March and made 22 visitations to 20 chapters and one prospective one. He visited part of the following sections: Rocky Mountain, South West and Eastern Seaboard.

From July 1, 1945, to June 30, 1946, Bill Hindman made 76 visitations to 58 of our

chapters and to seven campuses where possibilities existed for starting new chapters or reestablishing old ones.

All the chapters were visited at least once during the year and some many times, when visits of our District Governors are taken into consideration. Besides this, members of the Central Office staff have visited alumni groups in Dallas, Austin, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Portland, Kansas City, Denver, Chicago, Detroit, Missoula, Seattle, and Richmond.

### Publications

Printing of 10,000 copies was authorized of a revised edition of the rushing booklet, *Sigma Phi Epsilon, a Brief Introduction*.

Preparation of a revised edition of the *Manual* was authorized. This will incorporate much new material and provide a considerably altered and augmented section on rushing, and is scheduled for issue before the 1947 Conclave.

A new catalogue of members of Sigma Phi Epsilon (*Directory*) is authorized to appear some time before the end of 1947. Unlike the 1940 *Directory*, it will be prepared as a publication separate from the *JOURNAL* and will be sold to those who wish to purchase it. Probable price: \$1.

The budget for publishing the *JOURNAL* was enlarged to permit a 96-page issue for September, 64-page for November, 80-page for February, and 96-page for May (Conclave issue). During the war years, uniform 64-page issues have been published, with range and extent of material severely limited.

A new edition of *Sigma Phi Epsilon Songs* was authorized for publication at the earliest date possible. All Sig Eps having songs which they wish to submit for publication are requested to send them to the Central Office, Richmond.

## Alumni Relations

It was proposed that the chief foundation for successful alumni relations and the obligation of every chapter are to bring the alumni back to the house for at least two organized gatherings a year and to keep in constant touch with them in the meantime by issuing regular chapter papers. Every chapter should appoint a key man for this purpose, while the Central Office would seek to effect more extensive organization of alumni groups in larger cities.

It is also seen that the interest of the older alumni is essential to fraternity strength; in view of this the Executive Committee author-

ized a life membership drive in order that more of the men initiated before August 1, 1924, who do not receive the JOURNAL, will be induced to subscribe to it and thus renew their association with Sig Ep affairs.

The active chapters can aid in this program by making constant effort to find out where all their "lost" alumni are until all are found. Chapter publications should contain coupons which will ascertain whether there are older alumni who would like to renew their interest in the Fraternity by coming back to the house, attending alumni gatherings, and subscribing to the JOURNAL. Perhaps a silver cup could be awarded each year to the chapter doing the best job in such a program.

Alumni chapters and associations might also put on drives to obtain life subscriptions to the JOURNAL, the price of such a subscription being \$15.

## Tribute

WHEREAS Brother Earle W. Frost has completed his term as Grand President of Sigma Phi Epsilon and has during such term of office conducted the National Fraternity with wisdom and perception; and

Whereas Brother Frost's work in this high office represents the culmination of many years of enterprising leadership, successively as District Governor, Grand Marshal, Grand Guard, Grand Historian, and Grand Vice-president; and

Whereas the Fraternity is deeply indebted to him for the invaluable benefits of these years of loyal and astute guidance;

Be it Resolved by the Executive Committee in annual assembly that this expression of gratitude be conveyed to Brother Frost in behalf of the Fraternity, far and near, locally and nationally, for the untiring labor, devotion, love and loyalty he has lavished upon it and for his continuing absorption in its affairs.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be published in the JOURNAL as evidence of our appreciation.

—Executive Committee

## Succession of Officers

At a special evening session August 13, attended by members of the University of Tulsa chapter, the up-going officers were installed, with William L. Phillips conducting the ceremony. Grand Treasurer Edwin Buchanan has held his office since 1932, this position not being subject to the one-year tenure of the others, while the job of Grand Secretary is a full-salaried, full-time appointment. Robert L. Ryan became Grand President, Walter G. Fly, Grand Vice-president, Larkin Bailey, Historian, Charles S. Thompson, Guard, Dr. William Smolenske, Senior Marshal, and Luis Roberts, Junior Marshal, coming on the Committee for the first time.

Earle W. Frost was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund to succeed Joseph R. Curl, D.C. Alpha, '09, resigned. Charles R. Patch, a past president, was reappointed to the Student Loan and Fellowship Fund committee.

A further reappointment was that of Dr. Franklin C. Sewell, San Francisco Junior College, as national librarian. A motion was carried to take up with Dr. Sewell a plan for accumulating books for a Sig Ep national library to be housed in the new headquarters.

A resolution was passed commending the singular and devoted service of the retiring president, Earle W. Frost. A resolution was also passed thanking the officers and members

of the Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Chapter for their courtesy, hospitality, and help in making the meeting a success.

### Between Sessions

Whatever intelligence the meeting may have brought to light, it illustrated the prodigious enterprise of the Tulsa members of the Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Chapter. The city of Tulsa itself is young, clean, bustling, and irrepressible. It is where Grand Historian Larkin Bailey holds forth as president of the Tulsa Abstract & Title Company and where Russell S. Rhodes is general manager of one of the most outstanding city chambers of commerce in America.

On August 11, the day before the meeting began, the Tulsa alumni launched a series of entertainments for the visiting firemen that did not let up until a day after the meeting had ended. The first event was an all-day fete which took the form of a tour hither and yon, the chief point of destination being the newly dedicated shrine of the greatest Oklahoman of them all—Will Rogers—and culminated with a dinner the same evening at the Baileys.

On the next evening was held in the Ivory Room of the Mayo Hotel the banquet honoring Grand Secretary Emeritus William L. Phillips, attended by an estimated 160 Sig Eps and their wives and sweethearts, wittily emceed by Russell Rhodes, and climaxing in the ceremony in which Uncle Billy was initiated into the tribe of the Pawnee Indians by Chief Joe Shunatona of the Otoes and Chief Edwin Bayhille of the Pawnees, as he was dubbed Chief Cu-ra-hoos (Chief High Eagle) and presented with a feathered headdress.

Toastmaster Rhodes introduced Wesley Shaw, president of the alumni chapter, who introduced other speakers including Larkin Bailey, Bill Smolenske, Bill Hindman, Billy Phillips, and Judge Frost.

Edwin Buchanan presented to Judge Frost as out-going president an especially made diamond Sig Ep badge commemorating the successful conclusion of his term of office. The toastmaster introduced some of the outstanding "sweetheart" guests, including Esther Frost, wife of the out-going president, Elsie Bailey, wife of Larkin, and "Mother" McKinley, the beloved housemother of the Oklahoma Alpha house at Stillwater.

### Expansion

THE time is clearly at hand for reopening many Sig Ep chapters that have at some time or other in the past gone out of existence.

Now is also the time to install chapters on new campuses where a group like Sigma Phi Epsilon is needed and where with increased enrollments additional fraternities would be a boon.

The time and efforts of many alumni, and in some cases actives, are needed to start our program and carry it out.

First of all, information is required as to the status of the schools and colleges involved and the availability of the "key" men in the vicinity who are able and willing to do the work.

All information and suggestions that might prove of help should be sent to the Central Office. Communications would be especially appreciated from brothers of Indiana University, University of North Carolina, Washington University (St. Louis), University of Arkansas, and the University of Minnesota.

Letters are also welcome from Sig Eps who find themselves on campuses new to them in the position of "stray Greeks."

Tuesday night was celebrated at the palatial suburban home of Brother and Mrs. Robert G. Fry, Arkansas Alpha, '26, where informal conversation, songs around the piano, and mint juleps were greatly enjoyed. Wednesday noon Tulsa Sig Ep members of Rotary were hosts to the visiting Sig Eps at a lively and excellent Rotary luncheon at the Hotel Tulsa.

The meeting, regarded as having been most successful in a business way as well as socially, was adjourned at 4:15 Wednesday afternoon *sine die*.





PROF. THOMPSON: "China will rise again."

# GLIMPSES OF CHINA DAYS

**By George Jarvis Thompson**

"China will rise," says this former Chinese University professor of law in these informal reminiscences of Chinese life of thirty years ago.

**N**ONE who have lived in China can doubt that, though crushed to earth, the spirit of the Chinese people will rise again from the ashes, like their sacred Phoenix, to renew the rich contributions of their culture to world peace and to world civilization.

My days in the old China of over a quarter century ago (1914-1917) were prefaced by my marriage, and therefore my subject might almost be subtitled "Days from a China Honeymoon." When out of the blue there came to my desk in a Wall Street law office

a rush offer of the professorship in Anglo-American Law in a Chinese Government University at Tientsin, China, I wired my Boston fiancée: "Will you marry me in ten days and leave for three-year professorship in China?" She met the challenge, and it was "anchors aweigh" through the Golden Gate on the famous old steamship *China* of the Pacific Mail Line.

A day and a night in provincial Honolulu was a touch of fairyland, only exceeded a fortnight later when we sighted incomparable Fuji, seeming to rise from the very sea in a brilliant morning sky to its majestic height of over twelve thousand feet, garbed in a bridal veil of new-fallen snow. Landing in Yokohama we crossed to Korea, took the Trans-Siberian Railway via Seoul, the Korean capital, to Mukden, now capital of Manchukuo, and thence by the Peking Express to Tientsin. We reached our Asiatic home, Pei Yang University, Tientsin, China, just a month and a day by the calendar out of Boston.

Contrasted with life at home, the life of old China of thirty years ago was truly a visit to the land of topsy-turvy, where the women wore the trousers and grew bald with the years, while the men sported richly brocaded silk skirts and carefully groomed, single braided hair.

The University, which was situated about five miles north of Tientsin on the river called Pei Ho, consisted of what would now be termed a junior college, several engineering schools, and the School of Law. It was administered by the national Ministry of Education and was then under the presidency of Tien Lin Chao, a Chinese scholar, holder of American college and law school degrees, who was foully murdered by Japanese gangsters as he stepped from his home in Tientsin in the autumn of 1938. There were fifteen foreign professors, all American except two; and most of us resided in foreign-style houses on the University "compound," or campus.

The Law School's four-year curriculum covered much of the law of the western world as well as the law of China. In the field of foreign law, a Bostonian taught Public Law, which included International Law, Constitutional Law, etc. I and my assistant



an American-trained Chinese magistrate, were responsible for Anglo-American Law, while a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Vienna expounded the European Civil Law. The professor of Japanese Law was a noted Chinese scholar who, years before, had led the entire country in the examinations for public service held in the famous old Examination Halls at Peking, and had been sent to Japan by the Government to study the Japanese Legal System.

The foreign law courses were conducted in English. Each student, therefore, was required to present for entrance to the law school four years of training in that language. In fact, English was the only spoken language common to all students, since they were selected by examination from the eighteen provinces of China, and could not understand each other in the widely varying Chinese dialects, the scholarly Mandarin of their writings being then little used in ordinary conversation. It was not until 1919 that Dr. Hu Shih, the recent Chinese Ambassador to the United States, and recipient of an honorary degree at our Bi-centennial, inspired the movement for a national language, a simplified Mandarin, which has swept the country and completely changed the old picture.

To cover such a course even in four years necessitated instruction schedules unheard of in American law schools—from twenty-two to twenty-seven hours per week. The instruction was surprisingly thorough, as standard American casebooks and English and European texts were used. In consequence, there was much illness from overwork among our student body of some seventy-five men. The students did not complain, but drove forward fanatically. There were two chief reasons for this: (1) they represented the very pick of their provinces, and (2) each one had been chosen by his family as the scholar of his generation, and all members of the clan were pinning not only their hopes but also much of their substance on his success. He just had to make good. When he was eventually rewarded by a government position the near relatives retired from their labors and moved into his family compound, and as he progressed the collateral relatives followed suit. It was not un-



Public Library in Hsichow, small China town which is the home of old and wealthy families and the seat of much Chinese culture. U. C. Relief Photo.

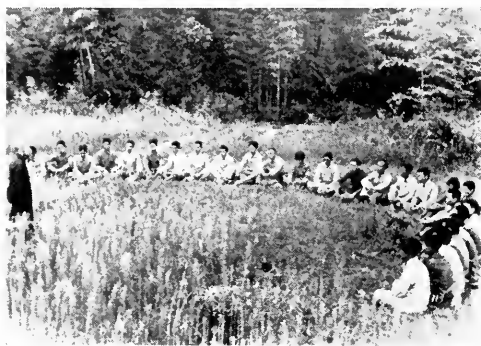
common for an employee with a good position to ask for a bit of a cut in his salary to give him face to discourage additional movers-in or to trim off some of the outer rim of the family.

An astonishing feature of the ancient and highly developed Chinese civilization was that it managed to get along without a profession of law, that is, in the sense of the legal practitioner as we know him. Such written law as there was consisted chiefly of the edicts of the emperors, the advice of sages to the emperor or other officials on matters of public policy, and certain historical decisions. Trade and commerce were controlled by numerous autonomous guilds, which made and enforced their own laws for members and arbitrated disputes with outsiders. The everyday community life was governed by custom, much of it local, handed down by word of mouth from generation unto generation. Everybody knew the "*kwei chü*," as it was called (pronounced "gway chee"), and in the interest of law and order took it upon himself to enforce it. Naturally, the foreigner ignorant of the *kwei chü* soon trespassed and found himself gently but firmly put in his place. The *kwei chü* fixed the number of servants we had and the wage of each. When our rank and salary were raised, the size of our entourage and its remuneration automatically increased, too.

Yet, if there was no profession of law in China, why the law school? The new Chinese Republic was busy adopting a series of civil, criminal, and administrative codes following the French, German, and

Japanese models, and a new court system was evolving headed by a national supreme court. I may add that owing to the widespread friendship for America engendered by the missionaries, by returned Chinese students, and particularly by the unprovoked Japanese War, the present prospect is a revision of modern Chinese law in codes following our Anglo-American Law along the lines of our Uniform State laws and the Restatements of Common Law by the American Law Institute. There was a growing need of Chinese lawyers to represent their countrymen in the foreign extra-territorial courts as well as in Chinese tribunals. The lot of practitioner was then so precarious, however, that practically all our graduates entered the government judicial, civil, or diplomatic service. From among our former Chinese students have come ministers to European countries, members of important committees of the League of Nations, and Chinese embassy counselors or attachés the world over.

I was admitted to the bar of our extra-territorial court—the United States Court for China. This had general jurisdiction over Americans in all parts of China, including the foreign concessions of other nations. Its headquarters were in Shanghai, but annual sessions were held on circuit at Canton and Tientsin, much as if the court were located in Washington and the judge sat on circuit in Mobile and Boston. Under the extra-territorial system, suit was always brought in the court of the defendant's nationality.



An old patriotic professor, a leading figure in the political and cultural life of China, has assembled a group of his former students who listen to his words dealing with the country's future and the duty which is theirs. United China Relief Photo.

All leading foreign nations had extra-territorial courts in China, but Germany, Austria, Hungary, and Russia lost theirs as the result of the First World War.

And now for a bit of the medical side of the picture. Of course, we foreigners realized the danger of infection in an almost wholly unsanitary environment. For example, we ate no green vegetables which were not washed in permanganate of potassium, and then thoroughly rinsed in distilled water. Though our University water was sand-filtered, we took no chances since it came from the adjacent river, but distilled all water for drinking and cooking in a copper still on the kitchen range. It was my luck to be the only one at the University, Chinese or foreign, to get typhoid fever during our time there. I imbibed the germ when I unwisely expressed a wish for a glass of water while attending a student banquet in the native city. I hesitated about drinking it when brought, but they assured me it was distilled, and it had taken them so long to procure it that I gathered they had sent to the University for it. Just a swallow or two, but that was enough. I won't go into detail. A medical consultation at my bedside might have been a scene from a Gilbert and Sullivan opera—my Chinese physician, in the colorful uniform of a major general in charge of the Chinese Army Medical Service, Major Ralph Shook, head of the medical service of our American Army garrison in Tientsin, wearing his regimentals, and a Chinese nurse, trained in Guy's Hospital, London, who had nursed the emperor in Peking. As the Chinese physician was doubtful of the diagnosis, Major Shook, when called for a second consultation, wisely procured for me the last available room at the Victoria Memorial Hospital in the English Concession, and brought along the old-fashioned army mule ambulance to convey me there. It proved to be almost the only sleety day we had, and the mules being unable to get sufficient footing to pull the ambulance over the camel-back bridge across the Grande Canal, it was decided to cross the Pei Ho on a pontoon bridge of non-descript river boats. Those familiar with the idiosyncrasies of muledom can well believe the shades of night were falling fast when

they delivered the long since delirious patient into the care of the Sisterhood of St. John, that magnificent colonial nursing order of the British Empire. Thanks to the courage and skill of Major Shook in experimenting in my case with the then new idea of feeding instead of starving the typhoid victim, I was able to return home a month later, though, of course, not to my classes for many more weeks. Needless to add, that was the most expensive banquet I ever attended.

In August, 1915, three of my foreign colleagues and I took a donkey caravan trip to the Wu Tai Shan, or Five Great Mountains, a religious mecca some 250 miles southwest of Peking. We went by train to Ting Chow, an ancient pottery center on the Peking and Hankow Railroad. There we hired a nine-donkey caravan with drivers, and loaded all the donkeys, but one, with the bedding and most of our food. The one donkey was reserved for the transportation of our Chinese cook, as we four foreigners planned to walk.

We spent the nights in Chinese inns, or on temple verandas, and, when near the great mountains, in monasteries. Stories of extensive forests to be traversed proved utterly unfounded; we passed through a country barren of trees except the ever-present groves of cypress, or rarely a grove of pine, about a temple. Wherever we camped for the night, the sick of the neighborhood were brought to us for treatment, just as we read of Christ's travels in the Bible—everything from tuberculosis in varying stages, to elephantiasis. In vain we urged that we were not physicians and had not the proper medicines. The answer was, "Oh, the foreign devil knows what to do and always carries medicines." So we gave them something harmless like an asparin tablet or a mild cathartic. For the elephantiasis victim we prescribed that he wash his feet occasionally, but he indignantly refused, fearing they would be softened like ours which he pointed out, as we gently bathed them, were swollen and blistered merely from walking.

The valleys approaching these remote and holy mountains were dotted with magnificent temples and monasteries in all their pristine splendor of gold-crowned tombs, brilliant



Pinch-hitting as a farmer, this co-ed, like hundreds of Chinese university misses, gives the farmers the benefit of the scientific farming knowledge acquired in school. Equipped with the Chinese version of a scythe, she is headed for the near-by wheat fields.

temple buildings of scarlet hue studded with golden dragon medallions, and friezes of sacred scenes in heavy gilt and vivid blues and greens, quite unlike the tawdry colors and generally run-down condition of the tourist-route temples of Peking. Pilgrims came from great distances, some spending years as they measured their length on the ground with every step. The temples were filled with gifts to their patron gods and goddesses, religious symbols in gold, silver, and precious stones. Even then the bandits were beginning to encroach, and I imagine that amid the warfare of the intervening years these superb temples have long since been pillaged and burned.

We spent a day climbing the Pei Yu Ting, "the north great peak." Though we had passed through several mountain ranges, sharp-pinnacled and worn by erosion, the five holy mountains had been preserved from that fate by the frequent duststorms from off the Gobi Desert; they were more like great drumlins or high rolling hills, covered with fertile vegetation, over which roamed herds of cattle. Wild flowers bloomed in profusion, among them many

of our common house plants and domesticated garden varieties. A number of men with bags over their shoulders were gathering flower seeds to sell in the markets of the seaboard. Two of our party were engineers and carried barometers, both of which ran out at 10,000 feet, and we estimated the height of this mountain to be about 10,500 to 11,000 feet.

The few travelers who had reported visiting these mountains, including Humboldt, the geographer, had estimated their height at from 9,500 to 12,500 feet. We discovered that the peak of the Pei Yu Ting formed a plateau of some ten acres, deeply grassed, from which one had a magnificent view far out toward the Gobi Desert. Though frequently Chinese mountain tops are adorned with beautiful temples, there was here but a primitive little stone cabin temple tucked under the lee of the eastern edge of the plateau, served by two decrepit priests, the interior lighted only by tallow dips. Descending from the mountain in the late summer twilight, we spent the next two nights and the intervening day in a beautiful monastery, whose bursar we had met and convoyed as he returned laden with the fruits of a round of tithe gathering.

My bride might have found time dragging, especially as the war had much disrupted the social life of the nearby treaty port, where the concessions of all the warring nations were set side by side along the Pei Ho. A thrilling opportunity came to her, however, when our American Minister to China, Dr. Paul S. Reinsch, appointed her to be a member and Secretary of the American Red Cross Committee in China for Relief of Prisoners of War in Siberia. From the autumn of 1915 until America entered World War I in 1917, that Committee rendered a great humanitarian service, little known in our homeland, on behalf of the captured German, Austrian, and Turkish military personnel.

What became of our Asiatic home in the recent perilous days of Japanese aggression? Tientsin, it will be remembered, was one of the first great cities of China to be bombed and captured. Soon the halls of Pei Yang University, where once the

learning of the world held sway, resounded to the conqueror's tread for it became a Japanese military center.

But just as events find themselves fallen into the hopper of time, soon they are but items in the great, dead depository of history. China will march on.

## Christian Colleges in China

**W**HEN the war struck, China's coastal colleges, including most of those supported in whole or in part by American philanthropic organizations like United China Relief, fled inland. Students and teachers, literally carrying their books and personal possessions on their backs, trekked to Chengtu, 1,500 miles to the west, and other places far from the flaming front. The march left many broken in health, but all who survived devoted themselves desperately to the task of advancing China's front against the illiteracy which has so long blighted her people.

Bombings were frequent, and many classes were interrupted by a scramble for the shelters. Extra-curricular activities in many fields of assistance to the military were encouraged. As "Friends of the Wounded," students worked in hospitals fighting vermin, treating skin diseases, boiling water for patients' drinking and washing linen.

"Vacation" time was not a time for rest and relaxation, students of both sexes spent much of their out-of-school times in the fields with China's farmers, loaning their muscles to help with the sorely needed crops. Classes in reading and writing were conducted on the farms by students who had spent the day in the fields. Others, through simple dramatic presentations, taught valuable lessons about current history and public health.

In all, there were 120-universities-in-exile functioning in the interior during the war. As they re-establish themselves in their former locations, they drew strength and renewed determination from the knowledge that their recent graduates, who wrung an education from a war-gripped world, are at work in the fields of education, medicine, economics and government service, giving China's people a better chance for a better life.

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★ ★ *When nations are brought closer together and people must live as neighbors in peace, students will want more training in psychology. We must change our motive from that of destruction to that of construction. We must change our interests from those of the small pressure group to those of humanity.*—JOSEPH YARBROUGH, Southern Methodist University

# APOSTLE OF EXPANSION

By Paul B. Slater

Robert L. Ryan, new Sig Ep Grand President, genuinely feels that fraternity membership should be the privilege of every collegian.

**O**UR FRATERNITY's objective is to provide wholesome fellowship for as many college men as want to belong." Bob Ryan nudged the brother on his right when Grand Secretary Bill Hindman included this statement in his answer to a question on Sigma Phi Epsilon's purposes, at the District XVIII Convention held in Berkeley, Calif., last May. "That sums up my idea of a real fraternity better than any definition I've ever heard," grinned Bob.

And the affable "Big Red Head," all six feet-two and 212 pounds of him, has heard a lot of them, for Bob is an enthusiastic Greek. And he is a rabid expansionist. He's Sig Ep's apostle who would like to bring fraternalism through the Golden Heart to every college campus in the nation.

So when the Executive Committee elevated Robert L. Ryan to the presidency of Sigma Phi Epsilon at its annual meeting August 14 at the Hotel Tulsa at Tulsa, Okla., it took the house odds that 1946-47 will see new campuses, new chapters, new honors to heighten Sig Ep's stature.

Bob Ryan is a banker. At the Beverly Hills (California) main office of the Bank of America—the largest banking institution in the world at last accounting—he is assistant manager. Struggling through each day isn't so much of a chore, providing it's one of those days when Hedy Lamarr drops in to have Bob put his RLR on something bank-like; or when Jimmy McHugh, the song writer, or Darryl F. Zanuck of 20th-Century Fox, or some one of hundreds of other famous



Informal pose of the new Grand President; he's seldom photographed except with one of his three daughters or a group of Sig Eps.

people have some banking to do. Nearly 60 per cent of the people served by Bob's bank are in some way connected with Hollywood's movie industry. Amos and Andy of radio have their offices in the building where this leading branch bank is located and another of Bob's duties is acting as building manager.

But more than being a banker, Bob is a treasurer. He's treasurer of the Kiwanis Club which meets every Thursday at the famous Beverly Hills Hotel, treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, and was at the bottom of the financial arrangements of every bond drive during the war. The job and the title he has held the longest of any during his lifetime is that of Alumni Treasurer for the California Beta Chapter at the University of Southern California. Bob spent his college days at California Alpha at the University of California at Berkeley, across the bay from San Francisco, but he's known as the "daddy" of the California Beta Chapter.

Along about 1927, after Bob had graduated from "Cal" in 1925 and had become established in the banking business, he



CALIFORNIA . . . The Sig Ep house at 2731 Bancroft Way, Berkeley—Bob Ryan's home campus.

joined forces with a small group of Sig Ep alumni to reestablish the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter. Bob recalls that among these brothers were Kenneth E. Van Scoy, Nebraska Alpha, Ralph Edwards, Vermont Alpha, and Gus Dirckx, Missouri Alpha. The motivating force in getting the alumni rolling was the establishing of an active chapter at the University of Southern California. Luis Roberts, a peripatetic Sig Ep sparkplug now located in Dallas, Tex., who has just completed organizing an alumni chapter there, was the president of the local fraternity that Bob and the other alumni selected to petition Sigma Phi Epsilon. The chapter was installed as California Beta in June, 1928, and ever since that date Bob has been a member of the alumni board and since 1930 has acted as alumni treasurer. Right now he is up to his ears in plans for a new addition to the California Beta chapter house, and ways and means of financing the project.

Conventions called him as alumni delegate to Denver in '35, and to Cleveland in '37 when the stage was set for the Conclave of the Golden West in Los Angeles in 1940. Each Monday night for nearly nine months before that Conclave in September, 1940, Bob

### **We Beg Your Pardon**

The article on Champions that was published on page 234, May JOURNAL, states that Bob Hakusa and Frank Mangiapane are members of New York University Chapter. However, it winds up with a third member, Sid Tanenbaum. Tanenbaum is not a member of New York Gamma or any other chapter.

met with his committee at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles and carefully laid the plans for what was to be a howling success. Bob himself came up with the slogan, "Four Days You'll Never Forget—Four Nights You'll Never Regret." He doesn't relish being reminded, in choice company, about revolving doors and phone calls at 5 A.M. in Cleveland in 1937—that is, unless he can get even by telling how he turned the tables on practical jokesters.

Chosen as Governor of District XVIII in 1935, he served Sig Ep well in that job until 1940, when the convention elected him Junior Grand Marshal. Since no Grand Chapter Conclaves have been held since 1940, Bob is the last man on the Executive Committee today who was elected by a convention in session. He has progressed through all the offices on the committee, as provided by the ruling established in 1940, and launched the William L. Phillips Foundation during his tenure, thus making Sig Ep a pioneer in this vitally regarded phase of national fraternity development.

Lincoln, Neb., was celebrating "Orangemen's Day" on July 12, 1902, when Bob was born, so he claims with good reason that he's a "left-handed Mick." Going to San Diego, Calif., by way of South Dakota, at four years of age, gives him just about full claim to being a native son of the Golden State. He proceeded to grow long and lanky, unless 6 feet and 150 pounds can be anything else but long and lanky, and played guard on the San Diego High School football team until he broke his jaw tossing two-by-fours around in a lumber yard. That ended his athletic career for a while, until the two years he spent at San Diego State College where he played more football and managed to get another bone broken. How he managed to play football neither he nor anyone else seems really to know—for he worked in the circulation department of the *San Diego Sun* from noon to 8:00 P.M. every day including Saturdays. But in some way he managed to get in his practice sessions, and always showed up for the games on Saturday afternoons.

He claims the scholastic standing was so low at San Diego State that he was able to enter the University of California with only

freshman credits, and that meant he had three years of university work to complete. With summer sessions and hard study Bob did it in two years.

Pledges at California Alpha in those days around 1923 always served a full year of pledgeship. Bob didn't. After a half-year, he was initiated. To hear him tell it, it was because the new initiates felt they wanted one of their own men in office (only upper-classmen could hold office), that Bob was made rush chairman. As a senior, he was chapter president and tried his hand at football again, but the years had softened him up and he was relegated to what every Cal man admiringly calls the "Goof" squad—the fellows the varsity push around every night so the varsity men can be heroes on Saturday.

Besides being a rabid expansionist, he can be classed as a "traditionalist." Bull sessions are enlivened by his telling about the good old traditions "up at Cal," and if he weren't a prominent banker you'd almost expect to see him break out crocodile tears over those traditions that have been lost with the years.

When you start talking about Bob's family of three girls—Kay, 16, Diana, 11, and Melinda, 3½—and his charming wife, Roberta (Bobbie to most everyone), you are working on his soft spot. The five Ryans live in a charming little home in the Belair district between Beverly Hills and the Pacific Ocean, where Bob's pet fuchsias and other floral specialties flourish in the cool air along with a good-sized victory garden. The "Big Red Head" once lost fifteen pounds in a few weeks laying bricks in his patio after banking hours and on week-ends.

This family idea started the year after Bob had graduated from Cal, in the summer of 1926 to be exact. He met Roberta Nelsen, upon discovering that she knew several of the brothers of the Cal Alpha chapter including Jim Corley (Grand President in 1940). It did not take long to decide that Bob and Bobbie Ryan would make a good team.

Years before Frank Sinatra became the cry of the bobby-soxers, Robert L. Ryan got tired of having his four-in-hand ties get tangled up with his figures at the bank, so he just switched to bow ties. His friends wouldn't know him now without one.

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III. JEAN FISHER  
Kansas Gamma

THE doors of the Kansas Gamma house closed in May, 1943. Manpower ran out and the house was lost. In February, 1946, Jean Fisher came back, discharged from the service as a sergeant major in the Counter Intelligence Corps of the Airborne School in Fort Benning, Ga. Jean set to work at once, and with 7 other actives returned, leased some ramshackle living quarters over a poolroom. It wasn't much but it maintained a chapter, and in the following weeks 23 men pledged Kansas Gamma, 8 of whom were initiated before year's end.

Sparked by Jean Fisher, the chapter in April purchased a 31-man house on the campus and leased two other houses as annexes for next year. The alumni provided some funds but not enough, so the boys went into their own pockets for more than \$1000 to open the house, then presently went down again, even deeper, to bring forth \$2000 more to keep it to secure the mortgage.

There is the success story—the rise of a chapter from two men to seventy in a semester—the purchase of a house, and, lest the serious side of the campus curricula be forgotten, the record of a B-plus scholastic average.

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Ted Bush, recent graduate of the University of Oregon, is Field Secretary No. 2.

## JOURNALIST A-JOURNEYING

Veteran Ted Bush, of the University of Oregon, who likes nothing better than a well-run chapter, has become Sig Ep Field Secretary Number Two.

**T**ED BUSH, a June graduate of the University of Oregon, is one veteran who lost no time in reconvertng his temperament and energies to fraternity campus life in a big way. Released as an ensign in September, 1945, he hied himself back to the Sig Ep-less campus at Eugene and speedily laid the ground work for the reactivation of a chapter which today, less than a year later, blooms with manifold vigor.

In July this year, this 24-year-old, six-foot northwesterner arrived in Richmond, Va., to take his place beside Ray McCron, an easterner, as a new field secretary of the Fraternity, thus giving Sigma Phi Epsilon, for the first time in its history, two traveling secretaries.

Already a well-traveled Sig Ep, Ted Bush has attended at least six colleges and visited a score of others. At little Multnomah College in Portland, whence he arrived via the scholarship route out of high school, he was a member of a local fraternity, Zeta Chi. In September, 1941, having had two years on this campus, he entered the University of Oregon, quickly made a name for himself in journalism, successively as reporter, city editor, photographer, and finally associate editor of the *Daily Emerald*, and was initiated a Sig Ep in January, 1943.

Both fraternity and traveling are his chief hobbies, which is the ideal combination for an effective traveler along the Greek-letter trail.

Entering the service as an aviation cadet in October, 1943, Ted wound up at San Diego in boot camp after the Hon. James Forrestal's (New Hampshire Alpha, '18) organization discovered that he and flying were incompatible. Next the vicissitudes of naval fortune found him getting his ensign's commission at the Columbia University Midshipmen's School in December, 1944.

In between times he attended Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill.; the southern branch of the University of Idaho at Pocatello; and Notre Dame, in the football city of South Bend, Ind.

Ted Bush's college training was in journalism, but in the interests of having something to journalize about later in the world of careers he studied as thoroughly as possible economics, political science, accounting, math, history, business law, literature, philosophy, and speech. As has already been hinted, he is a first-rate photographer of considerable experience, having served as staff photographer of the University of Oregon News Bureau.

Not having been born with a gold spoon in his mouth, he has had steady training in the practical economics of breadwinning since the age of eight. All his twenty-four years save six, which were spent in central



Michigan, were lived in Oregon. He peddled papers for the Grand Rapids, Mich., *Herald* when he was eight, and since then has jerked sodas, juggled trays, butchered meat in the days when there was meat, moved furniture, swept the print shop floor as a printer's devil, and operated a frozen food locker.

Bush is proud that under the term of his presidency of Oregon Beta two "notable reforms," as he calls them, were inaugurated. First, the introduction of a housemother, the only one in a men's house on the campus; and, second, the abolition of all forms of physical punishment in the house.

He feels that the fraternities would be held in a good light by the public if hell week and its allied juvenilities were abandoned for all time, so that the public would for the first time be given a chance to perceive that the college fraternity system is really basically sound.

Until the fall session of Sig Ep colleges commences, Ted will busy himself in Richmond, becoming acquainted with his fellow workers—Uncle Billy Phillips, Bill Hindman, Ray McCron, Harriet James, Helen Bane, and Myrtle Smith—and learning the multifarious procedures of the Central Office.

He is unmarried, and if one is to judge according to the exclamation mark he places after this designation, he intends to remain so for some time . . . all to the good, mayhap, for Hymen and the wayfarers of Helios as a rule mingle none too well.



Oregon Beta house, 849 East 11th Street, Eugene. Ted helped reactivate his chapter.

## ***The Night Is Cold***

By LEWIS VOLPE

**T**HE night is cold, the moon is down,  
Outside my window I can see  
The streetlight pushing back the dark  
From light's last refuge. Fog swoops  
In and quickly gives the earth  
Its eeriness and dark and light  
Fade into a hybrid halfness.

*A huddled figure limps from the dark  
Pauses awhile to light his pipe,  
And disappears  
Like the momentary trip  
We make from death to life to death,  
And then—perhaps to life again.*

*The clock strikes two.  
A policeman strolls under the arc,  
Crouches deep into his coat  
And leaves the light behind.*

*A sickle  
Of rain cuts through the still  
And patters dismally on the walk.  
The power of each drop—so great  
To itself—as small as man's. The stone  
Is covered now by a rushing flood,  
Sum of all the drops that flow.  
Endlessly.*

[Lewis Volpe, Maryland Alpha, is co-editor of *The Lit*, newly established literary magazine of Johns Hopkins University, from whose Spring 1946 issue this poem is reprinted. Ed.]

### **1900 West Broad Street**

HELP! The Central Office has moved to 1900 West Broad Street, Richmond, Va. Therefore it will be appreciated if you can forget the former address (518 West Franklin Street) as quickly as possible. As announced in a previous JOURNAL, the National Headquarters Building, which housed the Central Office since 1927, has been sold. The quarters at 1900 West Broad, while temporary, may house the Central Office until a new, permanent Sigma Phi Epsilon Headquarters can be chosen and a new building erected.



Grand home of the prosperous Kansas Beta chapter, overlooking the city of Manhattan, Kan. A good house, such as this, paid for by the boys themselves, is a vital factor in fraternity success.

# WAYFARERS IN SIG EP LAND

**By Ray McCron and  
John Robson**

Sundry comments by (1) the new Field Secretary and (2) the Journal Editor on field trips to Sig Ep campuses, including two District Conventions.

**Y**OUR untraveled representative of collegiate brotherhood left the Capital of the Confederacy early in April and, accompanying Bill Hindman, journeyed to Ft. Collins, Colo., the home of Colorado Gamma and the scene of the annual District Convention of District XV. Dr. Smolenske, the District Governor, opened the convention with some well-chosen words and then things got under way in good style. Ideas, problems, and solutions were exchanged and everyone present left the convention with an inspired feeling and a sense that other people were interested in his problems and that, lo and behold! he was interested in the problems of other chapters and might have even helped them out a bit as they had helped him. An

excellent evening banquet was the top social event of the convention and your neophyte Field Secretary was called on to say his little piece. Much to the amazement of your truly, the words and thoughts flowed freely and there was no evidence of stage fright. An orator was born!

Our hosts Colorado Gamma did an excellent job of entertaining the delegates to the convention and Max Brown, ex-Marine and chapter president, is to be especially congratulated on the job that he did of running the meetings and seeing that everyone was well taken care of.

Our next stop was Wyoming Alpha at Laramie, Wyo., one of our wartime "babies." The membership of this chapter is still small, but is growing steadily and the future promises much for this ambitious bunch of Sig Eps. Plans are being made for a new house as the one which the chapter occupies at present belongs to the University and is needed by the University for other purposes. The housing situation here is a serious handicap, but the men in the chapter have the will to succeed, which will help them lick the situation. They have pledged their personal savings in some cases, or earned a hard dollar by day-labor on week-ends to pay for security for their chapter.

Boulder, the home of Colorado Alpha, loomed on the horizon next. The University has had co-eds living in the house during the war while the male of the species was off to war. The chapter will have their house, which they fondly call "the postoffice," back in their possession in June, and big plans were already under way to redecorate and

refurnish. Chapter meetings were held in a classroom and rushing and pledging even without a house was coming along fine. The idea that fraternal friendship and the principles of fraternity can be practiced without a house is well supported here. A man likes another man for what he is and not for where he lives.

Our next stop was Colorado Beta at Denver. Here again a chapter functions without a house and with only classrooms to meet in. Prospects of getting a house are good for the future, but until this fortunate event occurs, the boys from this chapter are meeting at the homes of the various members who live in Denver. A Mothers' Club is functioning and dinner is served to the chapter each week when it meets at the home of a member. A home-cooked meal is a wonderful rushing incentive!

Colorado Delta at Golden received us next. This chapter with the very able help of "the Duke and Duchess," their cook and her husband, stayed open during the war and even ran a dining-room for all the other fraternities on the campus. Just as a sidelight, the mortgage was paid off during the war! We were treated to a taste of the Duke and Duchess Brew, a concoction bested only by the Nectar of the old Olympians! The house is so full at this chapter that eight men are sleeping on army cots *without* mattresses in the chapter room. Crowded sleeping conditions have no adverse effect on fraternity zeal and ardour.

After Colorado Delta, the G.S. and your much enlightened Field Secretary parted company.

An overnight trip on one of the temporary homes of the Field Secretary, better known as a Pullman car, brought me to Norman, Okla. An ambitious group of alumni had ready and waiting a prospective bunch of men who desired to set up a Sig Ep chapter at the University of Oklahoma. John Robson, JOURNAL Editor, and I talked to these prospective Sig Eps, attended a banquet given for them by the Oklahoma City Alumni, and helped in the drawing up of a plan for the chartering of this chapter. As is told elsewhere in this issue, our work bore fruit and Oklahoma Beta was installed on June 1.

Oklahoma Alpha at Stillwater was my next



Former home of Missouri Alpha, a house that was lost through poor leadership, selfish politics, and the war; chapter is still dead.

stop. In the last six months, a chapter of about 40 men has been built up under the able leadership of S. M. Hart, chapter president. These men will not get their house back until the fall, but rushing has netted 35 pledges, every one of whom is a potential leader on the campus and many of whom already are. Meetings are held in classrooms and in the chapter room of the house which the University has given the fellows permission to use for this purpose.

Easter Sunday was spent in Tulsa and it turned out to be a very eventful day. The Tulsa alumni and about twenty prospective Sig Eps met at the home of Larkin Bailey, Grand Historian, and made plans for the chartering of a chapter at Tulsa University. Again our work was successful and on May 26 Oklahoma Gamma was installed. As I sat at that eventful meeting on Easter Sunday, I really became aware of what the Fraternity means to so many men. Here were a group of men who left their families and homes on as important a day as Easter Sunday to get together to try to establish another living part of our Fraternity so that more young men could live in the spirit of brotherhood which fraternity affords, so that the lives of these young men would be that much fuller and enriched by their experience. In the words of the Rushing Pamphlet, "There must be something to it."

I stopped at Dallas, Tex., to see the Dallas Alumni Association, led by Luis Roberts. My visit was a very short one but I met many enthusiastic Sig Eps. Southern Methodist University is located in Dallas, and



Fraternity men prove to be effective tutors for one another. Above, left to right, California Beta members Ed Gerson, Jim White, Gil Ferguson, and Bob Riggs study together.

through the efforts of these Dallas alumni, the possibility of an active chapter of Sig Ep on the S.M.U. campus seems very likely.

Texas Alpha at Austin was rudely awakened at 6:00 A.M. one morning by my arrival but the fellows took it all in stride and entertained me for a week in a way which made my stay most enjoyable. I'm glad that you don't bear grudges, fellas! This house is in full operation and with the able support of the Austin Alumni Association which is rapidly becoming active after a short period of inactivity during the war, should really go places. Campus elections and interfraternity athletic competitions were in full swing during my stay and our chapter carried off a large share of the spoils in both fields.

Albuquerque, N.M., the home of temporarily inactive New Mexico Alpha, was the next place that I hung my much-beaten hat. No Sig Eps had returned to the campus at the time of my visit, but several were expected to arrive during summer and early fall. A large number of the active members of this chapter lost their lives in the Philippines in the early days of the war. The returning Sig Eps with the help of the Albuquerque alumni hope to rebuild the chapter as a memorial to the men who died fighting so that a form of government which fosters fraternities and fraternal ideas would still exist.

From Albuquerque I started the long trek eastward. A short stop at the newly re-activated Ohio Epsilon chapter at Delaware, Ohio, was a most revealing and exciting experience. Harry Leibold and Lou Conrad returned to the campus early last spring and along with several other returning actives built up a chapter which exceeds even its pre-war eminence on the campus. More pledges were obtained than by any other house on the campus. The chapter house is open and in full operation and the chapter promises to be one of the campus leaders next fall.

The next stop was New York which allowed for two days of good home cooking and some much-needed sleep. After this brief respite I again turned southward and returned to Richmond.

When I was in college, the Fraternity meant a great deal to me. My own chapter was especially dear to me and the Fraternity, so far as its status as a national organization was concerned, was rather a vague thing which I wasn't too familiar with. I attended several District Conventions in my district which increased my ideas of the scope of the Fraternity, but it needed a trip as Field Secretary really to open my eyes to the enormity of the organization to which we belong. I found men of all ages and from all walks of life who are interested in their Fraternity and who are anxious to see it grow and who are willing to give unselfishly of their time and efforts so that the ideals for which Sig Ep stands and the benefits to be derived from it will be brought to more young men.

## II

**M**OST fraternity field secretaries today are finding their chapters in a state of transition. Great, unruly Mars has upset the orderly processes in many fields, not excepting the college campus. Today the campus and its not-so-adolescent populace lies, as the poet expressed it, between two worlds, one dead, the other powerless to be born. Nothing seems "in the groove."

During the war the campus manpower barrel was scraped to its utmost bottom for fraternity personnel. Many of the men taken in simply had no capacity for the kind of

neighborliness required to constitute one of these large, thriving campus homes within whose portals all the young men learn neighborliness by living neighborly. Thinking wishfully, rush captains plucked those whom they believed to be diamonds in the rough, but who turned out to be something less.

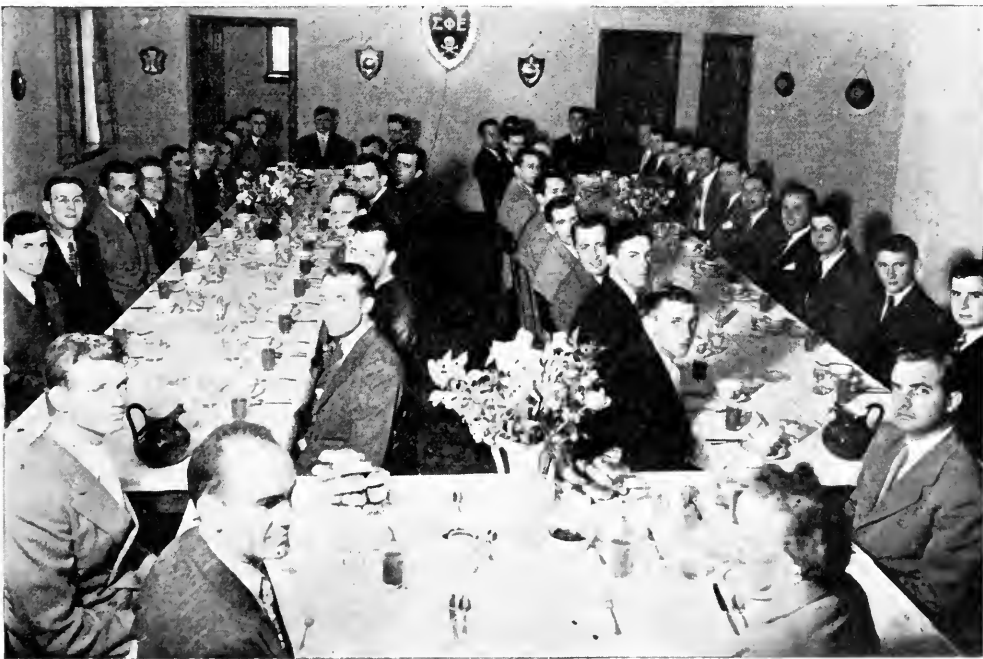
Presently, the wartime personnel including 4-Fs was outnumbered by returned veterans—all of them rugged pragmatists who renounced juvenile whimsies, and nearly all of them a trifle too prone to be cynical wherever sentiment intruded itself. Equilibrium was upset, and at least some disorder was found even in the chapters that had always been strong, that were situated on the best campuses.

From April 5 to May 8 I visited the following twelve Sig Ep chapters—Bucknell, Penn State, Westminster, Iowa State, Kansas State, Kansas, Baker, Missouri, Illinois, Lawrence, Wisconsin, and Carroll—and was convinced, as one fraternity editor of twenty-five years' experience recently put it, that successful chapter operation is a matter of continuous guidance. Also that "A strong fraternity chapter is built on work, work, work, and more work"—in the words of

William L. Phillips, one of Sigma Phi Epsilon's founders forty-five years ago.

This dual principle of work and guidance is as fundamental as it is evident that plain manpower is needed to put it into action. First, the man must be worth while. Second, the campus must be worth while. Third, in nineteen cases out of twenty no alumni adviser is worth his salt who has not been trained as an undergraduate in a successfully operating chapter. Thus, the chapter success formula follows after a continuous cycle. Here, just as in the broader realm of sociology, the main truth is that environment is heredity in motion and heredity is environment in motion. They cannot be separated.

I was especially impressed by the strength of our Iowa State and Kansas State chapters. They are losing no time in getting back in the groove. Both have fine houses free of heavy mortgages, both have wonderful alumni to guide them, and both are on great campuses where men come primarily to work and secondarily to enjoy themselves while doing it. At Iowa State, E. E. Axthelm, '16, is the key alumnus and has done much to keep both alumni and actives on their toes



Dining-room of a true college home for men; atmosphere conducive to the best fellowship. The men of Iowa Gamma at the University of Iowa photographed with their housemother.



The beloved chapter adviser of Illinois Alpha—retired Prof. Thomas E. Oliver—and Mrs. Oliver at Illinois Sig Ep party.

through the years. Otto Freese, the alumni treasurer, has worked closely with him. At Kansas State, present key alumni in Manhattan are Fritz Knorr, alumni treasurer, and Verne Boyd, '29, adviser. Other nearby stalwarts are Grand President Earle W. Frost, '20, municipal judge in Kansas City, and Richard M. Sears, '22, district governor.

Both Kansas State and Iowa State are well-to-do chapters, having been built up through the years by constant devotion and wise management and guidance. They have asked for no handouts, and would be too proud to accept any. Both possess shining records in fraternity history. Both have had a certain number of lucky breaks. The present crucial period holds no terrors for them.

While to such chapters one might apply a paraphrase of a scriptural apothegm—"To him that hath shall be given"—the converse applies to the underprivileged chapters. They are often hard pressed to keep what assets they have. Nothing succeeds like success. Keep on playing a losing game and you are bound to keep losing.

The Bucknell chapter, the first on my itinerary, is a chapter that never had a chance: when the war came, it went out of business fast. The financial history of the chapter is very poor. Consequently now when a number of first-rate actives are back on campus, ready to do some work, the alumni regard the chapter with mingled emotions, not the least of which is apathy. Indeed, as collegians few of them had taken the trouble to learn the meaning of financial responsi-

bility towards the Fraternity. Debts piled up shamefully. The house was lost. The college tried to bail them out. Countless obligations were never met. Thus alumni strength is niggardly.

Being so, naturally the job of rehabilitation is a tough one. It will take much hard work and more than just hard work: it will take heroism.

A similar problem, even larger in scope, faces University of Missouri Sig Eps. Here, again, the alumni members who wrote the black record when they were collegians should, today, having taken stock of their transgressions, gird themselves to wipe clean the slate. It is simply impossible to build strong new chapters on foundations of shame.

No two chapters have problems exactly alike. The Westminster Sig Eps are a thriving group, having flourished right through the war on a quiet little coeducational campus with a church background. There is but one other national here as well as a local group rich in tradition. Somehow the Sig Eps do not get their alumni back enough; there is no unified interest on the part of the alumni. A leader is needed who can "repledge" them.

Not far away from New Wilmington is Pennsylvania State College where Pennsylvania Eta holds forth in a fine house comprising a group which Dean Warnock, a Beta Theta Pi, is reported to have said, is the finest on the campus. The active chapter is headed by President Donald W. Ellis; J. Norman Riley, '19, of Philadelphia, is alumni treasurer. A splendid house, well situated and kept in constant repair by the alumni, is a noteworthy basic asset of this group.

In Lawrence, Kan., site of the state University, is a chapter that has had to work wisely and industriously to re-establish itself. Through financial irresponsibility and the advent of war, the fine new Kansas Gamma house was lost. Now the boys, sparked by Comptroller Jean T. Fisher and a loyal group of alumni, have bought a new house and are steadily rebuilding their group. Spirit is high; mettle is first-rate.

Baker University is a very small coeducational college at Baldwin, Kan., less than half-hour's drive from Lawrence; it is one



Happy couples at Texas Alpha's Spring Formal.

of the Fraternity's oldest and best chapters. Few groups anywhere can boast such alumni loyalty. The boys are advised by Coach Emil Liston, '13, while Alumni Treasurer Thomas H. Neal, '20, drives over frequently from Kansas City. His son William L. Neal is president. The work of Fred A. Price, of Detroit, on behalf of this chapter has been described at length in recent JOURNALS.

The "Big Ten" universities all have large fraternities and many of them. Illinois is no exception. Of all Sigma Phi Epsilon's houses, perhaps the largest is at Illinois. Unfortunately, it is by no means paid for. The alumni board hasn't met in six years; by and large, the alumni have lost interest. However, the leadership of the chapter is excellent and manpower is abundant. President is Kenneth Johnson, who served as a rehabilitation hero at the Lawrence College chapter. What is needed is a good alumni treasurer, a competent comptroller, a budget, and the genuine, unified interest of at least a few alumni.

When I visited the Lawrence chapter, just mentioned, the men were impatient because the administration persisted in refusing all the fraternities of the Quadrangle permission to open their dining rooms. Nevertheless, excellent spirit was evident. Dean Donald DuShane showed me the scholarship standings and the Sig Eps were again at the top. As Dean Ralph Nanz of Carroll expresses it, college-owned quadrangles unavoidably tend to pull all groups—some up, some down—to an average level. On the other hand, when one of the college trustees happens to be such an active fraternity worker and devotee of the Greek-letter system as George Banta, Jr., an official of Phi Delta

Theta, plus perhaps another like him, the situation can be pretty good, especially if the democratic ideal of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" is kept in mind. At Lawrence, it should be pointed out that there are five houses in the Quadrangle and the men living in them pay their board and room directly to the College.

One quickly sees the advantage of the Lawrence plan when one visits the large campus at Madison and surveys the sorry plight of fraternities there. Here financial irresponsibility in the good years was far too prevalent, and at the time of my visit early in May, only ten of more than fifty men's groups were living in their houses, the others having for the most part lost theirs. The Sig Eps were building themselves into a large, capable group, and were on the hunt for a house, guided by Harland B. Klipstein, a young graduate working for the Harold C. Weiss (Wisconsin Beta, '23) Insurance Agency, and Ken Wendland, a graduate student in journalism.

Sig Ep's third Wisconsin chapter, Gamma at Carroll College, was doing well, with Richard C. Navine, Jr., as president, Robert Michel as comptroller, Dean Ralph S. Nanz as chapter adviser, and John W. Weaver as alumni treasurer. The small group of fraternities on this campus are to occupy quarters in Caples Hall, a handsome and spacious building some distance from the campus once used as a rest home.

In the course of these chapter visitations,



President Ken Johnson, Illinois Alpha, and his date, Phil Weeks, at spring formal house dance.





Pledges at U. of Southern California take over their corner with dates at interfraternity pledge barn dance.

I attended meetings of various alumni chapters. In Oklahoma City, District Governor Tom Sexton, Oklahoma Alpha, was in the midst of busy plans getting the newly formed local Phi Epsilon at the University of Oklahoma ready to petition for a national charter, since installed. (See the article elsewhere in this issue.) A buffet supper and smoker held in Oklahoma City on April 16 was attended by more than sixty Sig Eps of all classes, many of them from Stillwater and Tulsa.

On April 24 at a dinner held by the Kansas City alumni, plans were discussed for the first post-war Conclave of the Fraternity, tentatively scheduled to be held in that city in August, 1947.

One of the most beneficial meetings of all was the district convention of the Iowa chapters on April 12, 13, and 14, presided over by District Governor E. E. Axthelm, at the Iowa Beta house in Ames. Many attended from the Iowa Alpha and Iowa Gamma chapters. The two chief addresses were made by Grand President Earle W. Frost, Kansas Beta, '20, and Dean M. D. Helser of Iowa State.

A few days later in Kansas City, I spent

some time with Judge Frost again, at a meeting of the alumni, as his guest at a Cosmopolitan Club luncheon at the Muehlebach, on a tour of interesting points including the Kansas City University campus, and at the Frost home, where the Judge lives with his charming wife Esther, one time Baker University Zeta Tau Alpha, and the two children, Earle Wesley, Jr., and Sylvia.

Other high points of this trip were profitable visits with Stewart Daniels, Alpha Tau Omega executive secretary in Champaign, Ill.; with Clarence Freeark, director of Fraternity Management, Inc., in Lawrence where we talked with Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, Virginia Theta, at a Rotary luncheon; Grand Treasurer Edwin Buchanan, Ohio Gamma, '12, in Milwaukee (also lunched with Jack Krueger, Wisconsin Beta, '37, and Chris Steinmetz, Wisconsin Beta, '34, in Milwaukee); District Governor Russ Pratt, Michigan Alpha, '39, in Chicago, who was in the midst of plans for a convention of the Illinois and Indiana chapters; Lloyd R. Watson and Edwin West in Appleton, Wis.

At every hand it was evident that in this post-war era Sig Eps are determined to keep building.



# WOODY HERMAN AND THE KANSAS BOYS

By Jean Fisher

The grand exalted maestro of swing helps the younger of the U. of Kansas Sig Eps celebrate their first post-war reunion in the very height of style.

**T**HE Kansas Gamma lads held their first post-war reunion July 1, 1946, and Kansas Gamma's honorary initiate, Woody Herman, with his Herman Herd giving forth, helped them celebrate it in gala style.

Following a dinner at the Kansan Hotel in Topeka, the celebrants transferred their activities to the Meadow Acres Ballroom, where the "Unchallenged King of Swing" awaited them.

Clarence Jarrell, Dave Boyd, and Jim Bradley came over from Kansas City; Tom Harkness, Leroy Krug, Des Gibson, Karl Kappelman, and Dean Gibson drove in from Lawrence; while Don Johnson, Bill Ogg, Fred Stewart, and Jean Fisher rounded out the crowd from Topeka. One of chief guests was a rushee, Dale Mallon, recent star athlete of Topeka High School, who shook hands with Woody as Woody put out a little Sig Ep rush talk to Dale.

At least half of the men named were members of the Kansas chapter the past term that saw Kansas Gamma begin the semester in a rooming house with two men and wind up the year with a house and 36 men. They really felt entitled to such a wonderful party. Bill Ogg, acting secretary, had charge of the arrangements.

Of Woody Herman, Kansas Gamma honorary, '42, it should be said that he has always been extremely generous whenever the opportunity arose to boost the stock of Sigma Phi Epsilon. For his achievements Kansas Gamma would like to salute him as the alumnus of the year.



Famed bandleader Woody Herman relaxes with Kansas Gamma boys and their dates. Fred Stewart, Woody, and Jean Fisher pose for the camera with Jean Ramsbarger and Margaret Witt.



Herman conducts the popular "Caledonia."

D. Johnson Jarrell, Mallon, C. Johnson, K. Kappelman, Bradley, Herman, Boyd, Ogg, Groff, and Fisher at reunion celebration in Topeka.





Newcomer, the guy with the swell smile, and Ernie Pyle, in the southwest Pacific.

# LIFTING A CUP WITH JEREMIAH

By L. W. Newcomer

A light war adventure of the South Pacific by a SeaBee officer who dined with Ernie Pyle and Jack Dempsey and drank with a cannibal.

I AM glad to tell the story of my session with the Chief of Visisi in Viti Levu, Fiji. I'm glad to tell of it because there are things every young man should know who accepts an invitation from a Fijian native chieftain to attend one of their "Kava" ceremonials.

The Chief of the village of Visisi on Vunda Point, Viti Levu, Fiji, has the Christian name of Jeremiah. His Fijian name is as long as a sled track and I shall not attempt to tell it. One way to describe it is to spill alphabet soup on paper, then grunt out several of the spilled combinations while making queer faces, and complete the description by looking mysterious in Pidgin-English and Fijian. The Chief was a majestic figure, weighing over 200 pounds and standing over six feet in height in his big, cal-

loused, horny feet. To add to his impressive size and appearance was a half bushel of black hair standing at "curly attention" on top of his head. He and I became good friends (I was glad he was on our side) and he paid frequent visits to my office tent, generally to ask for the loan of a truck to haul cocoanuts or logs for his village.

I usually obliged him, and he, out of hospitality and to repay my favors to his tribe, asked me to come to his Bure for a "Kava" ceremonial. I accepted, along with Lt. Mauney of my outfit; Mauney was in charge of our battalion trucks.

We arrived by jeep at his village, two miles from camp, at about sundown and were taken to the large centrally located Bure, or native assembly hall. This Bure was furnished with woven mats on the floor and had ornamental figures and beads hanging around on the poles which supported the thatched roof. The lighting was furnished by blazing faggots in wooden holders fastened to the corner supporting columns, and the flickering lights created a weird atmosphere, especially for an American fresh from civilization. The Chief and some twenty of his head men, with myself at his right, were seated on mats in a circle in the center of the floor of the Bure. In the center of the circle was a young boy with a huge wooden ladle stirring the "kava," or Fijian native drink, in an immense wooden bowl.

The bowl was made from solid native hardwood and highly carved with ornate figures and polished by some native process. "Kava" is a milky-looking liquid made from squeezing a native root and adding water, the taste of which I was curious to know.

The boy stirred the fluid slowly in the bowl, staring at Mauney and me with a dead-pan look, while I looked around the circle in which we sat, curious and interested. As I looked them all over, nothing but my faith in the Chief and the knowledge that they were domesticated gave me ease and comfort. I began to think of the years past when these people were cannibals, and I was thankful that that bad habit had been discontinued.

The Chief finally held up his hand and everything was silenced. The boy took a

LT. COMDR. L. W. NEWCOMER, Kansas Beta, '23, pictured above (right) with Jack Dempsey and a fellow officer, spent eight and a half months on Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands "Seabeeing," assisting in preparations for pushing on north toward Tokyo. He arrived on Guadalcanal's Lunga Beach and set up camp on January 3, 1944, staging here for Bougainville for which they sailed January 18.

The work and rough going on this Solomon Island of Bougainville was rough going, Comdr.



highly polished cup made from half a coconut shell, filled it, and handed it to the Chief. He took the shell in both his hands and drank its entire contents in one long draught; as he drank, his head men all clapped their hands in unison, saying, "Bula Bonoca! Bula Bonoca! Bula Bonoca!" and each of the three times, they clapped. "Bula Bonoca" means "very good" or "he is a fine fellow" or some such thing. Every action was in a very ceremonial way.

Next, the boy brought the cup to me, and since I had been told that it is insulting to leave any Kava in the cup or to refuse the drink, I drank the whole amount—and then the taste! I can't describe it, but as I handed the cup back to the boy, my shirt seemed to run up my back like a window blind, and my hair stood straight up!

Next was Mauney's turn, and as he drank, I watched from the corner of my eye. His face assumed the saddest look I have ever seen on it, and I have watched it after many a drink in many a place.

This system of drinking to the applause, continued around the circle and was repeated until the contents of the bowl were gone. I had three or four drinks, and I may say that the first one more than satisfied both my curiosity, and thirst for Kava.

We arose, after what seemed ages but was actually about two hours, and paid our respects and went to our jeep. As we walked I worried over the numbness of my legs, while Mauney complained of a "sad" stomach. I wondered if I were to finish the war ingloriously as a "Jake leg" paralysis victim, and I vowed that I would return to camp and "sin no more," if I recovered. The next morning we were as good as new, however, after that I always had a "previous engagement" when invited by Chief Jeremiah to a Kava Party.

Newcomer says "Those were not happy days, but necessary things were done, and the island was turned to the Aussies to occupy and handle further during September, 1944, as we moved on up to the Ulithi Atoll."

They arrived in the harbor there right after the bombings and the hurricane of that season had wrought havoc with much on the islands. Newcomer went ashore with his five hundred-man detachment, and took over the construction and cargo handling for the Atoll Command. Commodore Kessing, U.S.N., was in command of the Atoll, and no finer officer, says Newcomer, ever held any command for Uncle Sam.

This atoll had some thirty small islands—most of them so small that "a man with a hairlip could spit from one end of them to the opposite shore line!" Four of the main islands were developed. Falalop was utilized for air facilities and a strip 3500' long was constructed.

Ulithi was used as an important anchorage for the Fleets of the Pacific from the time of American occupation. Brew for the Iwo Jima and Okinawa deals was "cooked up" here, and naturally, all the important Naval high-ranking officers frequented this Atoll during those times. Also of course, the war correspondents were swarming there before each "Push" and Newcomer got well acquainted with them. He is especially proud of the picture taken of Ernie Pyle, Andy Hamilton, and himself at chow in the officer's ward room of his battalion.

Of Pyle he says, "Ernie is deserving of all the nice things said about him and more, and I am proud to have had him as a personal friend." He also declares that the high-ranking Naval, Marine, and Army officers with whom he came in contact there were "tops."

The end of the war, and subsequent establishment of the point system, gave most of the 6th Special Seabees civilian status again. Today "Newc," as his friends call him, is happy to be back in El Dorado, Kan., again, as County Engineer, building roads and bridges, and taking part again in activities of this community which he has had a part in developing.



Col. George W. Price. A recent photo.

## MORGANTOWN MARKSMAN

Being a crack rifle shot catapulted Col. George W. Price (ret.), one of West Virginia's best known military men, into a long illustrious career.

**O**NE of the interesting Sig Eps down Morgantown, W.Va., way is Col. George W. Price, West Virginia Beta, '07. Stop in at his home at 133 Waitman Street,

and you will be charmingly regaled with the tales this hardy professional soldier has to tell, beginning with State Guard Days in Morgantown not long after the turn of the century, when he won his first shooting medal; and of the years from 1914 to 1917 spent on Mindanao in the Philippines in the field against "the hostile Moros"; of the years after the first World War of cataloguing soldiers' graves in the Meuse-Argonne cemetery, the largest in Europe; of the years between wars when he served as professor of military science, first at his alma mater and then at the University of Wichita in Kansas; and finally of his commands in World War II.

A wondrously detailed biography of the Colonel is revealed in his scrapbooks, one of them containing all the military orders he has ever received, commencing in 1913 when he received his first order—that from Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood to report to the Philippines. Col. Price is strictly a scrapbook man. He began this hobby during university days and by 1930 had pasted up upwards of 32,000 clippings, filling about twenty scrapbooks on subjects such as crime, speeches of great men, jokes, as well as the already mentioned subject of his career.

An interesting tidbit revealed by these scrapbooks of Price's is that the particular "star-spangled banner" which inspired Francis Scott Key to write his song was made on the floor of a brewery in Baltimore, its "broad stripes" being broad indeed, for they were two feet wide, according to the Colonel's research.

The Colonel's clipping biography also discloses that the entire Price family was in the service during the war. Mrs. Price, an English girl whom he wooed and won in London during World War I, was a WAC as was daughter Veré. Stepson Charles M. Benson was a major in the Signal Corps at Camp Chaffee, Ark.

When the Colonel was a young stripling in Morgantown still living with his parents, he fancied he wanted to become a lawyer, a fact indicated by the very first item in his first scrapbook. Dated June, 1904, and clipped from the *Morgantown Post*, this states that George Washington Price won first prize in a declamation contest. A chap-

ter letter from the Sigma Phi Epsilon JOURNAL of that period mentions that "G. W. Price is preparing to begin the practice of law at Charleston."

Today when you talk with Price and he is in a frank mood he is likely to tell you that he has sometimes been sorry that he wasn't a lawyer. Yet he recognizes, as do most people, that as the twig is bent the tree is inclined. For at the same time that the young collegian was demonstrating prowess in debate he was winning shooting medals at the University of West Virginia. He seemed to have a knack for hitting the target. He joined the National Guard as a private in 1905 and continued through the ranks, and getting a genuine taste of soldiery in the Guard in the early days of mine strikes throughout West Virginia. Some of these, the Colonel vows, approached full-fledged proportions of warfare. And all the time the Colonel was learning to become a better shot. He won one shooting contest after another despite the most skillful competition that could be found in the nation. Today he is holder of the coveted Distinguished Rifle Marksman Medal, granted in 1931, the highest award the service makes for shooting. Thus though he aspired to be an attorney, ironically enough he perhaps became too good a shot to make a good lawyer.

Leaving the campus in 1913 to join the



Roughing it in the Philippines in 1915;  
Lt. Price is in the hills after outlaws.

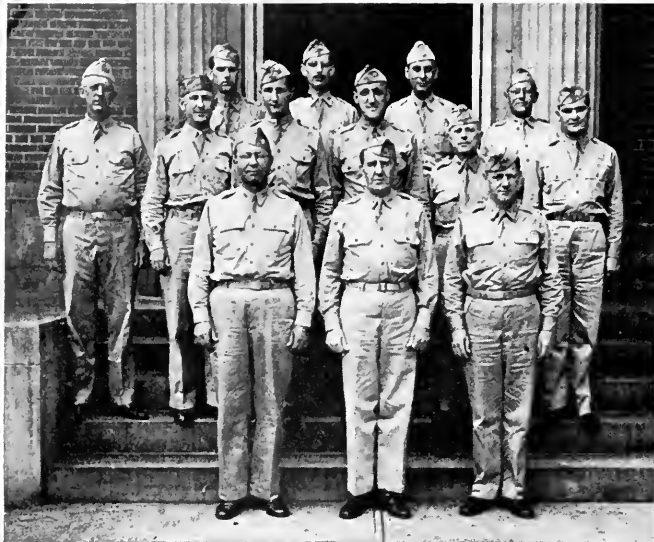
Philippine Scouts, he soon made his mark, being awarded the Philippine Campaign Medal, and attaining the rank of captain shortly after his return from the Islands in 1917. Recalled to fill a more urgent post, he was commissioned in the Air Corps in which branch he served until 1920 when he was commissioned a major of infantry, working for a time as commanding officer under General Pershing.

The need for training infantry troops over by 1920, Major Price was ordered overseas with a replacement unit, serving a short tour of duty in Germany, a year in England, and two years in France, adjusting claims for the American government.

Pursuing his military training further upon return to the States, he was graduated

Col. Price in 1910 with the West Virginia State Rifle Team. He is seated 4th from left.





Col. Price, front and center, at the Headquarters Reception Center, Fort Thomas, Ky.

from the infantry school at Fort Benning, Ga., in 1923, and in 1926 he completed training at the general staff school at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., from which institution he holds the degree of Military Science and Tactics.

Generals Dwight D. Eisenhower and Joseph W. Stilwell, incidentally, were his classmates.

All this while, the Colonel not only kept his marksman's skill but heightened it. In 1923, then a major he was one of nineteen men who represented the infantry of the U.S. in the National Rifle Association tournament, and in the following year he captained the Army's infantry rifle team.

Thus he found his way back to his alma mater—West Virginia University—as professor of military science, leaving to assume a similar responsibility at the University of Wichita in October, 1930. Then with some hint of war clouds in Europe, in 1936 he was placed in command of the Twelfth Infantry at Fort Howard, Md., became commanding officer of the Fort Thomas, Ohio, Reception Center in December, 1941, and on January 24, 1944, became commanding officer of that Post.

In August, 1944, he was called to Washington, and his last active duty was as a member of the Secretary of War's discharge review board. He had for a time also held the honor of serving as executive officer of the West Virginia Military Area, with headquarters in Charleston. His promotion to Colonel had come in 1941, and he was

officially retired "for statutory age" on November 6, 1945.

The Colonel's famous clipping books, which have won publicity at the hands of newspapers in many states, tell the whole story in interesting detail, and they are well illustrated. Today when he is not clipping or pasting or collecting stamps or cataloging his excellent and expansive library at his home, you may find him at his farm, which is just a short trip to the south of Morgantown—four miles, to be exact. Here on his 200-acre tract, plus "500 acres of briars," located on Route 73, he raises pedigreed Hereford cattle, and to accompany them has planted 300 Alberta and Georgia Belle peach trees. He says his days of soldiering are over except in reminiscence.

## ★ A WAR ADVENTURE ★

By LT. GRANT G. ANDREASON, Utah Alpha

**T**HERE has been considerable activity since I joined Uncle's service. I chased Gene Tunney all over the west trying to get an interview with him to get into his program. I felt that if guys can win the war coaching athletics, that's for me. So I finally caught up with him in Los Angeles and after a bit of a confab he convinced me that I was just the kind of a man they wanted so I joined the Navy under his program and stayed in Los Angeles with Wild Will McKinley who was working in a war plant until they called me and sent me to Norfolk, Va.

Well, Tunney's program did a lot of good and whatever else people say he did what I call a good job of getting good men into the service. All-American football players, basketball players, pro wrestlers, fighters, baseball players, punchdrunk garbage collectors, and a few scholars were a dime a dozen and I'm sure that the war records of some of these men more than vindicate Gentleman Gene in his work.

Still, I decided it wasn't for me and applied for sea duty. They sent ten of these guys to the Amphibious Force Atlantic Fleet and I was one of them. With us as a nucleus, they built an organization known as Scouts & Raiders. It was some deal! We were to dream up some method of identifying enemy beaches from charts and photos so that when the time came for an invasion we could go ashore and mark the beaches with a series of lights to lead the waves of landing craft ashore.

We had some fun and from that initial ten men there are three of us left; all received Navy Crosses before it was over although seven got theirs after paying the supreme sacrifice. We were all commissioned after the North African invasion



and returned to the States to set up a school to train others in the racket.

In May I went again to North Africa to take over the Scouts & Raiders for the Commander of the 8th Amphibious Force. Had a great time there, I really liked that part of the world and the swimming, wine, and French girls made the stay very nice. While there I made the invasion at Gela, Sicily, and the one at Salerno.

Then came a call for help.

The British had lost ten out of twelve reconnaissance teams sent to make a surface "recon" of Normandy so they sent a buddy of mine and myself to England to help them . . . he has just signed a contract to coach Xavier at Cincinnati, he was an old pro football player who used to get a big kick out of remembering how Red Wade (Aggie) had come back to Cleveland to try out with the Rams and the tales he used to tell about Smiling Dick (Aggie Coach).

We made a few runs over to the coast of Normandy at nights in small craft to sketch beaches, take tidal soundings, and just generally snoop around to see what was what with Jerry's defenses. Had a couple of mighty close ones but lived to go back later and drink some of the most potent apple jack in the world on the same beaches the next summer.

I came back to the States after the Normandy show and was sent to Florida to take over the old Scouts & Raider school but found it a bit dull again and accepted a chance to come to China to make some more "recon" with the view to an Amphibious landing on the China coast. What a trip over! This same buddy and I came over together with stops in Casablanca, Tripoli, Cairo, Karachi, and Calcutta then over the "hump" to Kunming up to Chungking and then we walked, walked, WALKED all over this damn country—crossing the plains with Brigham Young was a breeze—.

Came through Jap lines and to the coast where we made the recon job, got away with it and sent my buddy back to the interior with it and back down to Calcutta while I stayed with a Chinese guerrilla camp where we trained their troops, collected weather and intelligence information, and as a final blow had to fight the Japs on foot with the guerrillas we had trained. Next time I want some one who knows more about fighting to train the troops I'm going to fight with.

As the crowning glory, I sat as the United States representative on the group that accepted the surrender of the Jap garrison at the harbor of Amoy in Fukien, China. Finally, by Junk, we travelled up to Shanghai where I ran into my buddy again as the Senior shore patrol officer in Shanghai. By then he knew all the spots both in and out of bounds; needless to say we had quite a reunion. While with the guerrillas I learned to eat anything in sight and with chopsticks, too. I've eaten dogs, frogs, snakes, chickens' feet, duck brains, lotus blossoms, sharks' fins, bird nests, peanuts and rice, rice, rice. But to tell the truth, I



Lt. Buck Andreason, Utah Alpha

have had lots of fun, wouldn't have traded for anything in the world. Now my buddy has gone home and I've been hanging out with Bill Daley, the Minnesota and Michigan All-American, and Howard Hartley, who you will all hear more about playing football for Duke. They played on our Navy team here in Shanghai last December 1, when Navy beat the Army 12-0.

Oh yes, I coached the Navy team (got a letter to prove it, too). Have been trying to recapture some of my lost youth lately by playing basketball, find that I can still whip around and get a few buckets, a couple of rebounds, a few jeers, but in the morning it takes a wrecker to get me out of the sack by noon.

I am now the Welfare and Recreation Officer for the Naval Forces in China and have extended my tour of duty for six months—may be home this fall. But again, right now I'm planning to transfer to the regular Navy. I have had lots of fun, they have treated me fairly, and though I'd rather have a good coaching job somewhere, still I think this is going to beat it.

Lt. Andreason wears the French Croix De Guerre with palm in addition to the Navy Cross, and has been recommended for the Legion of Merit, Silver Star, and the Chinese Medal of Merit. Ed.

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★ ★ *If we are candid with ourselves, I think that we must admit that the rank of the teaching profession today, to say nothing of its remuneration, is not comparable with the ranks of other professions. When the profession of teaching is really practiced, it does not yield in importance to ANY other profession.*—CHARLES TRUEBLOOD, Hillsdale College

# SIG EPIC ACHIEVEMENT



Grand President Frost shakes hands with the man who established "Sardinia Alpha"—Ted Simpson—at the Iowa District Convention, during which Simpson was initiated; District Governor E. E. Axthelm and President Warren Hayes, Iowa Beta, look on.

## On the Go

**C**ERTAINLY no busier National President of Sigma Phi Epsilon ever held office than Judge Earle W. Frost, Kansas Beta, '20, who turned over his presidential gavel to Robert L. Ryan, California Alpha, '25, at Tulsa in August. His "traffic work," as he calls it, his work for the Fraternity, and his service club work, added to his own legal practice and his judicial duties, keep him busier than most men ever want to be.

He attended the President's Highway Safety Conference in Washington May 8, 9, and 10, and managed to spend a day and an evening with Billy Phillips and Bill Hindman who drove up to see him on fraternity matters.

A few weeks before that he attended the District Conference of the Fraternity's Iowa chapters, in Ames, Iowa, giving the principal address. On June 1 he traveled to Tulsa, Okla., to preside at the ceremonies of the installation of a Sig Ep chapter at the University of Tulsa.

Two weeks later, at the convention of Cosmopolitan International, held in Kansas City, he took his place in the proceedings as Judge Advocate of the national body, a position he had held for five years, and which entailed a complete revision of the Constitution and By-Laws. At one of the sessions he was unanimously elected to the international presidency.

As judge of the Municipal Court in Kansas City, Mo., Earle Frost has long been interested in the traffic record of the nation's highways and steps to be taken to improve this record. He has participated in this work in virtually every important national body which is concerned in whole or in part with traffic safety: The National Safety Council, the American Bar Association, and now of

recent date President Truman's National Highway Safety Conference in Washington in May.

As a member of the President's Committee on Enforcement, Judge Frost assisted in formulating the basic theme of the three-day Conference; namely, uniformity of the nation's driving codes, with wide-spread organization in our states and communities. The Conference left it up to the governors to translate the recommendations for traffic safety programs, traffic law enforcement programs, sound driver licensing and vehicle inspection policies into action.

## Corn from the Corn Belt

"Old and corny jokes," explained the Washington correspondent of the *Kansas City Star*, in a recent column, "sometimes help to lighten the legislative sessions of the Senate."

Senator Bourke B. Hickenlooper [*Iowa Beta*, '18] whose name used to be good for a laugh when he came down here from Iowa, was complaining of the inadequacy of his \$10,000 a year salary.

"I was told what my salary would be," the Senator related, "but in my home state it didn't cost so much to live. I was much like the fellow who went to the judge and said he wanted a divorce from his wife."

"Why, Henry," said the judge, "didn't you take this woman for better or for worse?"

"Yes, judge," replied the man, "but she was a lot worse than I took her for."

## Upmost

The highest honor that it is possible for the American Institute of Electrical Engineers to bestow on any of its members recently came to J. Elmer Housley, Tennessee Alpha, '15, when he was made president of the organization for its 1946-47 term. He is district power manager, Aluminum Company of America, Alcoa, Tenn.

Born in Knoxville, Tenn., January 9, 1893, he was graduated from the University of Tennessee with the degree of bachelor of science in electrical engineering in 1915. He joined the Aluminum Ore Company, East St. Louis, Ill., in 1915 and in 1922 joined the Aluminum Company of America's sales organization, serving as sales engineer in the Kansas City (Mo.) office until 1923. In the latter year he returned to the Aluminum Ore Company and for a year was engaged in special engineering work. In 1924 he became assistant district electrical superintendent for the Aluminum Company of America, Alcoa, and in 1927 he was made superintendent of power, a position he held until 1943, at which time he was named district power manager.

Housley has been an active member of the Institute, serving as vice-president for the Southern



District (4), 1941-43; chairman, Tennessee Section 1938-39, and serving on many committees including technical program, 1944-47; Standards, 1944-47; and electrochemistry and electrometallurgy, 1939-47; chairman, 1944-46. He has contributed a number of articles to the technical press and various engineering societies.

For eight years while attending high school and the University, Mr. Housley worked at night for a drug store in Knoxville.

The American Institute of Electrical Engineers was formed in 1884 for the expressed purpose of "the advancement of the theory and practice of electrical engineering and of the allied arts and sciences, and the maintenance of a high professional standing among its members." It is the professional society for electrical engineers and represents the widespread interests of engineers in the whole field of electrical engineering defining their contributions and unifying their efforts in professional work.

The Institute now has nearly 25,000 members in the United States, Canada and over the entire world. The Institute is composed of ten geographical districts each headed by a vice-president and the districts are further subdivided into 74 sections.

Housley is the first president of the Institute from the South since 1930-31 and the second from the South in the history of the Institute. He is the first president from the industrial group of the membership.

## Knoxville Jurist

An outstanding judicial record furnishes background for Judge Thomas H. Goodman, Tennessee Alpha, '25, Democratic nominee for Second Circuit Court judge.

The judge has been practicing law in Knoxville for the past 18 years, with the exception of his four years with AAF. Discharged from the latter on January 27, 1946, he was appointed three days later to the Circuit Court bench by the Governor.

As captain he entered service in April, 1942, served overseas in England, Africa, Italy and France for 33 months with the 12th and 15th Air Forces, both heavy bombardment combat air forces.

During his Army career he served as judge-advocate on the staffs of Gen. Doolittle, Gen. Carl Spaatz, now commander of the AAF, and Lt. Gen. Nathan Twining. He was then assistant air judge-advocate of the AAF on the staff of Gen. Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, at that time commanding general of the AAF. His decorations include the Legion of Merit for outstanding services in the Mediterranean Theater, five Battle Stars, and personal commendation from Gen. Arnold.

Judge Goodman received his pre-legal education at University of Tennessee, and there his athletic prowess was as basketball forward from 1922 to 1925 and a quarter-miler in track during the same period. He was later graduated from Cumberland



J. Elmer Housley, Tennessee Alpha, is new president of American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

University of Law at Lebanon, where he played both football and basketball. In 1928 he was football coach at Tennessee Military Institute.

A past president of the Knoxville Bar Association and a past vice-president of the Tennessee Bar Association, he has been a member of the vestry of St. James' Episcopal Church for many years and is also a member of Knights Templar, a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner.

Judge Goodman says: "My conception of the proper attitude of any aspirant to the judiciary is that of impartial administration of justice, offering neither threats nor promises."

## Books Are Teachers

Charles W. Dickinson, Jr., Virginia Alpha, '05, treasurer of Virginia Alpha's alumni board, and director of School Libraries and Textbooks for the Virginia State Board of Education, contributes the leading article to a recent issue of the *University of Virginia News Letter*.

The article, "Public School Library Service in Virginia," stresses the point that the library is actually a teaching agency.

"The librarian should be the busiest member of the faculty," Brother Dickinson writes. "Her services are in constant demand by all teachers and by all students. She collects, prepares, and directs the use of all kinds of teaching materials for all classes in the library laboratory. The school librarian must know where to find and how to locate information and be both ready and willing to prepare and to present it in usable form at a moment's notice.

The librarian must keep informed concerning all student activities, anticipated student needs, and supply information or materials whenever requested. A general knowledge and appreciation

of new materials available in all fields is essential. She should introduce live books to live boys and girls. She should possess a missionary spirit, love all children, and be enthusiastic about her work. Boys and girls are interested in anything new and different. The school librarian must guide and encourage these youngsters.

The article also details the procedure of acquiring books.

"When a local school wishes to buy library books or materials," writes Dickinson, "it sends to the division superintendent of schools a check for five dollars with each \$60 library unit order. The superintendent deposits this check and forwards the \$60 order with a check for \$20, payable to the Treasurer of Virginia, to the Director of School Libraries and Textbooks. Orders from the various school divisions are assembled by publishers once or twice a week in the Division of School Libraries and Textbooks and are then forwarded to the respective publishers, with state warrants signed by the Treasurer of Virginia attached, for the full amount of each lot of orders. The publishers ship the books and other materials directly to the schools.

The author points out that there are now available in the public school libraries of Virginia 3,000,000 books, thousands of projectors, motion and still picture films, phonographs, recordings, slides, film strips, maps, globes, charts, and other instructional and recreational materials.

## Home Designer

Recent winner of the *Chicago Tribune's* national architectural contest is D. Coder Taylor, Pennsylvania Theta, '34, of Dormont, Pa., suburb of Pittsburgh.



D. Coder Taylor, Pennsylvania Theta, who won the *Chicago Tribune* prize in house design.

But if the stork had dropped his bundle earlier at Taylor's residence, the young architect would have been \$1000 poorer. It happened this way:

Taylor, a lieutenant in the Sea-Bees, had just been released from the Navy when he got the idea to submit drawings in the contest.

Since the stork wasn't due for several weeks, it was decided that Mrs. Taylor should leave Rhode Island where they were staying and go to her home in South Dakota. Meanwhile, Taylor would stop off in Pittsburgh and draw the home plans.

But he had just finished the first drawing when word came that Mrs. Taylor had given birth to a girl.

Hurrying westward, Taylor dropped the sketch in the mail. He had several other ideas for drawings, but didn't have time to do them.

And he hardly had gotten over the birth of his daughter when he received word that he had won one of the 24 \$1000 prizes in the contest.

His prize-winning home was an unusual one-story stone house. Long and narrow, it was designed for a 30-foot lot.

One of its features was a cheerful semi-private garden or outdoor living area which was placed between the garage and the living room. Other features were a game room, an irregular-shaped living room and a good-sized storage room.

Oddly enough, he had designed the home for a family of three, which he had when he finished the design.

Taylor's service record includes 3½ years in the Sea-Bees. At one time in 1944, he was cited by the Navy for keeping supplies moving over a floating bridge on Peleliu while the Japs pounded the area with sniper and mortar fire.

During that time, the Sea-Bees built an artificial island on the reef. Pontoon piers made it possible for large ships to unload almost directly to the installation.

## "Highest Sense"

"Only the highest sense of public service could have persuaded Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, New Hampshire Alpha, '18, to remain in the office he so successfully administered in the most critical period of our naval history." *The Sunday New York Times* commented editorially on June 9. "It is known that he intended to resign and return to business immediately after unification of the Navy and Army had been accomplished. Now at the call of President Truman he has decided to stay at his post 'indefinitely.'

"No one in sight could have filled it so well. When Frank Knox died there were some who wondered whether a man who had been a bond salesman and head of a Wall Street brokerage firm could take his place. Not much was known about James Forrestal except that he had been one of President Roosevelt's secretaries with a 'passion for anonymity' and had once announced his favorite hobby as 'obscurity.' But as Naval

Under-Secretary he had quietly learned all the ropes. His record has been a continuous revelation of his capacity. He took over direction of the American Navy while it was still suffering from the shock of Pearl Harbor and built it into the strongest sea force the world has ever seen. At large part of that strength lies in Mr. Forrestal's own toughness of mind and clear, direct vision.

"As far as one man in a strategic post can prevent it, there will be no deterioration of our Navy such as has followed other wars in which the nation engaged. His firm views on this issue are well known. If disintegration is permitted, he has said, 'We shall have forgotten every lesson of history and we would scarcely deserve to survive.' His self-effacing decision to continue as civilian head of the Navy is national insurance in a confused post-war world."

## Tab on Butcher

One of Iowa State College's outstanding, newly made famous sons had time to return to the campus last April and be guest speaker at the annual spring Lecture Series. He was Capt. Harry C. Butcher, Iowa Beta, '24, who spoke on his three years with Gen. Eisenhower and of the war diary kept by him, the serial rights of which were bought by *The Saturday Evening Post* (Ben Hibbs, Kansas Gamma, '23, editor) for more than \$100,000 and less than \$200,000, and which was subsequently published in full book form by Simon & Schuster and then last May distributed to the members of the Book-of-the-Month Club.

Butcher, incidentally, gave an autographed copy of his book, prior to publication, to his undergraduate fraternity brothers at Ames when he attended a smoker at the chapter house given in his honor. Commenting on his future plans, Butcher told the boys he planned to marry in May and to open a home in Santa Barbara, Calif., where he proposed to operate a new radio station. (See *Married* section.)

## Entrepreneur

One of Kansas City's least known but most successful small businesses is emerging from its outgrown quarters in the Westport district to erect its own modern plant at Seventy-third and Central streets.

The business, originated fifteen years ago as a small family partnership to aid the American woman with her sewing, now has 800,000 customers scattered over the nation. Each month those women receive by mail from Kansas City a package containing a hot iron transfer pattern and other help for needlework.

Originators of the business are John E. Tillotson, Kansas Beta, and his wife, Mrs. Clara S. Tillotson. The present plant is at 3954 Central and contains 27,000 square feet of floor space. The new building will have 80,000 square feet. It will be a 1-story, brick-faced structure, 200 by 400 feet.



John E. Tillotson, Kansas Beta, has developed an ever-growing women's pattern business in Kansas City.

The Tillotsons have acquired an irregular tract about 450 x 430 feet east of the Country Club street car tracks in the Waldo district. Vacation of both Central and Seventy-third at the intersection, now not cut through, has been approved by the City Plan commission and an ordinance is expected to go to the council later. The property is vacant.

From a small downtown space fifteen years ago, the Tillotson enterprise has grown to 200 employees which is increased at some seasons of the year. The business is operated under two names, the Colonial Company and Modern Handcraft.

The Colonial Company designs and makes patterns which are distributed through magazines to their subscribers. Most of the business is done by Modern Handcraft, which supplies the monthly needlework service.

The third issue of *Profitable Hobbies*, a monthly magazine, has just been printed by the Tillotsons. The new plant will provide space for the publication of the added enterprise.

Upon approval of the street vacation, the Tillotsons plan to start work as quickly as materials are available. The building will embody modern skylighting construction development.

## Builder

John D. Lusk, California Beta, '34, Beverly Hills school board president and active civic worker, has resigned his position as vice-president of the Security-First National Bank in Beverly Hills so that he might launch his own building and contracting business.

Having completed 20 years with the banking firm which he entered as a statement clerk, Lusk



**HIS OWN . . .** John Lusk, California Beta, '34, leader and board of education president, resigned his position with the Security First National Bank to launch his own building and contracting business.

came to Beverly Hills in 1937 as assistant branch manager. He was appointed assistant vice-president in 1941 and vice president in 1945.

During the war he served as chairman of the Beverly Hills War Bond committee and made an enviable record in this position. He has served as a chamber of commerce director and was appointed some months ago to the local board of education. He was named president last week.

"I have been interested in the building and contracting business on a part time basis for many years. I have now decided to devote my full time to it," Lusk declared.

He plans to establish offices and will keep his place of residence in Beverly Hills at 458 Peck Drive.

## Success on Broadway

Samuel Yewell Tomkins, once active in the affairs of University of Wisconsin Sig Eps but now for some years lost to them, has been entering newspaper columns considerably of late—under the name of *Tom Ewell*. He is Wisconsin Beta's most recent alumnus to have made good in the city. Currently appearing on Broadway in the Jed Harris production of *Apple of His Eye*, the romantic comedy starring Walter Huston, Ewell was active in Madison and University of Wisconsin dramatic circles some years ago under his given name.

Latest news of Ewell comes from Atlantic City, N.J., where he and Judy Abbott, daughter of Producer George Abbott, were married recently following an elopement.

Born in Owensboro, Ky., Ewell entered the University in 1927, and attended the law school until 1931, and early in his college career became interested in acting. A member of the Wisconsin Players and its president his last year at the university, he played, under the direction of W. C. Troutman, important roles in such memorable productions as *The World We Live In*; *Cyrano de Bergerac*; *The Importance of Being Earnest*; and *The Devil's Disciple*, appearing in the latter with Don Ameche.

He was a prominent member of Haresfoot club, acted in several Haresfoot shows, and was one of the authors of the 1931 production, *It's a Gay Life*.

Ewell started his professional acting career in Madison, appearing for two seasons with the Al Jackson Players in the old Garrick theater. He was seen in *Orphans of the Storm*, *Kongo* and the familiar *Shanghai Gesture*.

Upon leaving the university, Ewell spent a year in Nashville, Tenn., directing the Little Theater in that city during the daytime while managing a hotel at night. He came to New York in 1932 and worked for a time as treasurer of several theaters. In 1934 he made his professional debut on Broadway in the Theater Guild production of *They Shall Not Die*.

Following a brief interval as comedy lead in the Romberg-Hammerstein musical *Sunny River*, Ewell enlisted in the Navy in February, 1942, as an apprentice seaman, and left a lieutenant senior grade, having served for 2½ years as a gunnery officer in the North Atlantic and Mediterranean.

## Alpha Kappa Kappa President

The new national president of Alpha Kappa Kappa Medical Fraternity is a Sig Ep—Dr. Paul Dearth Crimm, director and chest surgeon of the Boehne Tuberculosis Hospital, Evansville, Ind.—who was pledge Number 1 of Ohio Epsilon Chapter.

Elected at Alpha Kappa Kappa's recent convention in Cleveland, Dr. Crimm has been an ardent worker for his medical fraternity since before his graduation from Western Reserve University School of Medicine in 1923, having been president of this chapter his senior year.

Graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in 1916, Dr. Crimm served with a medical detachment overseas in World War I, and thus was delayed in completing his medical education. It was during his residency in gynecology at the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, that he became a victim of tuberculosis and was forced to spend the next two years in the Adirondacks recovering. Thus he devoted himself to chest surgery and the problems of tuberculosis.

From 1927 to 1930 he served as associate editor of *The Centaur* of Alpha Kappa Kappa, became editor in 1930, and in 1933 was elected historian, holding this office for 12 years, during



One of Ohio Epsilon's famous charter members—Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk, a leading Methodist spokesman, who delivered one of Merrick Lectures.

which he compiled and edited a fraternity directory.

Besides his chief job at the Boehne Hospital, which he has held since 1929, Dr. Crimm is on the consultant staff of the Welborn Baptist Memorial Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital, and the U. S. Marine Hospital in Evansville, and the Veterans' Hospital, Outwood, Ky.

He is a prominent figure in county and state medical societies and a past district governor of Rotary.

## Honored by Denison

Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk, Ohio Epsilon, '17, celebrated religious radio commentator and a chief official of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, received an honorary LL.D. degree from Denison University on June 17. Before entering Ohio Wesleyan, he had done preparatory work at Denison. Dr. Van Kirk, a leading Methodist, was one of the delegation of four churchmen, the first civilians to enter Japan after the surrender. During the past summer he went to England on an international church mission.

One of the charter members of the Ohio Epsilon Chapter, he is the author of several books and a member of numerous editorial staffs of leading religious publications. He was a guest speaker during the series of Merrick Lectures, April, 1946, in Delaware, Ohio.

## High Task in Tokyo

Campbell Osborn, D. C. Alpha, '14, formerly assistant to the president of what is now the Continental Oil Company and during the war executive officer of the chemicals division of the War Production Board, left on August 1 for Tokyo to take charge of the chemical and petroleum

industries of Japan in General Douglas MacArthur's organization.

An attorney by training, Campbell Osborn has practiced extensively in the Southwest, but has spent most of his life in business. At one time he was in the petroleum producing business with Ralph A. Bard, late Under Secretary of the Navy, and others. During the war he served the War Production Board successively as executive officer of the chemicals division, assistant chief of the branch in charge of chemicals, pulp and paper, and printing and publishing, and finally as a member of the Board of Appeals representing industry. He spent several months in England and Canada in 1942 checking the use of Lend-Lease chemicals and securing chemicals needed here in the war effort.

## Sig Epic Shorts

John E. Zollinger, Virginia Delta, '27, for many years connected with the sales department of International Business Machines Corporation, with offices in the World Headquarters Building in New York, has been named head of a newly formed Southern division with headquarters at Birmingham, Ala.

The new division includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee, all formerly part of the Eastern Division.



CENTAUR

A charter member of Ohio Epsilon, Dr. Paul D. Crimm was recently chosen head of Alpha Kappa Kappa Medical Fraternity at national convention.



"Cartoonist's View of Russian-American Communications—'Disconnected' "—is the work of Arthur Poinier, Ohio Epsilon, '32, who has resumed his position as political cartoonist of the Detroit Free Press, following his recent discharge from the Navy. This cartoon was reprinted recently in the N.Y. Times.

Basil O'Connor, New Hampshire Alpha, '12, director of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and chairman of the American Red Cross, was mentioned by New York columnists during the summer as a strong New York gubernatorial possibility on the Democratic side.

In July, O'Connor made a trip to England on behalf of the Red Cross, to attend the first post-war convention of the League of Red Cross Societies at Oxford.

He foresees an expanded post-war role for the Red Cross, in which countries would rely on their national units to a greater extent in alleviating suffering and promoting international amity. He is chairman of the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies.

Dr. Paul M. Dean, Colorado Alpha, '08, who has served on the chemistry department faculty at Colorado University since 1910, is now head of this department. Appointed in May, he had held the rank of full professor since 1923.

Roy F. Wise, Ohio Alpha, '31, chief pharmacist of the Lima Memorial Hospital, was recently elected president of the Ohio Society of Hospital Pharmacists at a meeting attended by more than 600 hospital administrators and members.

J. Russel Sprague, New York Beta, '10, member of the State Republican Executive Committee and executive officer of Nassau County, Long Island, played a prominent part in the Republican party's state convention held at Saratoga Springs September 3 and 4.

Joseph R. Curl, District of Columbia Alpha, '09, chairman of the trustees of the endowment fund of Sigma Phi Epsilon, is the new president of the West Virginia State Bar Association, having been elected at the organization's recent annual convention.

Francis J. Knauss, Colorado Alpha, '05, popular Denver attorney and county chairman of the Republican party, is a new district judge in Denver. He was appointed to the post recently by Colorado's Governor Vivian.

Judge Knauss, 64, is a Colorado University law school graduate. He was admitted to the bar in 1905 and has served four terms in the state senate, was an unsuccessful candidate for congress in 1927 as a Republican.

James R. Wilson, Iowa Gamma, '30, is a new instructor in the College of Law at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

## ★ OUR MILITARY FELLOWS ★

### Brass Note

Two Sig Eps played important roles in the dramatis personae in the big atomic bomb show staged last July at Bikini in the Pacific: Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal, New Hampshire Alpha, and Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, West Virginia Beta.

### Reconverter

Before entering the Naval service, Comdr. Thomas Reginald Cloake, New York Gamma, '30, practiced the profession of Certified Public Accountancy in New York, and as a part time interest taught on the faculty of New York University. Today, having completed the Navy

Field accounting officer program at the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. he intends to return to civilian life as a partner in the Certified Public Accounting firm of Webster, Horne, and Elsdon of New York.

Commander Cloake was appointed by the Navy Department as Field Accounting Officer to head the accounting activity, and during the time the program was in effect, all claims crossed his desk for approval as to the accounting and financial aspects. This involved the making of operational and overhead studies of all Carnegie-Illinois accounts. In a period of less than one year from V-J Day, he had completed his phase of the program and it is expected that within a very short period the remaining functions of the other members of the team will have been com-

pleted also. This record is a gratifying contrast to the record of contract settlements which grew out of World War I, when negotiations dragged out for years. Thus in record time one of the largest industries in America will be able to return to its post-war program unhampered by unsettled contracts which grew out of World War II.

In the case of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, the largest steel producer in the world, there were approximately 17,000 cancelled contracts, for which termination material on hand amounted to \$100,000,000. These contracts were either directly with various Government agencies or were sub-contracts growing out of prime Government contracts. If each agency had attempted to negotiate the settlement agreements individually, the job would have been unwieldy and perhaps might have taken years before complete settlements could have been effected. To facilitate settlement negotiations, the Navy Department, which had the predominant interest in Carnegie-Illinois Steel contracts, undertook the responsibility of settling contracts for the Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Maritime Commission, Treasury Department, and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

## Pittsburgh Engineer

Col. Charles McCarthy Wellons, Ohio Gamma, '15, was awarded the Legion of Merit Medal and Citation for the outstanding and excellent service he rendered the War Department while he was Acting District Engineer and Executive Officer for the Pittsburgh Engineer District. The medal was presented to him by Col. W. E. Lorence (now District Engineer) on March 12, 1946, in the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce Auditorium



Col. Charles M. Wellons, Ohio Gamma, awarded the Legion of Merit Medal as executive officer and acting District Engineer, Pittsburgh Engineer District, Ohio River Division, from December, 1942, to September, 1945. Presentation made by Col. W. E. Lorence (left), while Lt. Col. James S. Bark looks on.

in a special ceremony before the employees of the District.

Colonel Wellons has again assumed the position of Head Civilian Engineer in the Pittsburgh District and is actively engaged on peace-time improvements which were curtailed by the war.

Colonel Wellons entered the service of the U. S. Engineers in 1919 in Wheeling, W. Va., as a draftsman, after a few years' experience in private industry. The following year, he transferred to the Pittsburgh Office as an Inspector and up until the second World War worked in the capacity of Superintendent, Assistant Engineer, Engineer, Senior Engineer and finally as Principal Engineer. During these years, he was in charge of the design of a number of important navigation locks and dams on the Ohio, Monongahela and Allegheny Rivers and the flood controls dams, flood walls and channel improvements for the Pittsburgh Flood Control Project. He was a consultant on navigation locks and dams for the Tennessee, Warrior and Savannah Rivers and was engaged by the Panama Canal Zone as a consultant on design features for the Third Locks Project. He has been granted a number of patents for devices for river canalization and marine applications.

In December, 1942, he was commissioned as lieutenant colonel and designated Executive Officer for the Pittsburgh Engineer District. He was assigned charge of the District in December, 1944, when it was at the height of its military construction and procurement program. He was released on terminal leave in October, 1945, and promoted to colonel December 13, 1945.

Colonel Wellons was born June 27, 1893, in Barnesville, Ohio, the son of Dr. James W. Wellons and Eleanor McCartney Wellons. Graduated from Ohio State University in 1915 in mechanical engineering, he was married to Ina Frances Waddell June 27, 1918, a union which



A Sig Epic job in the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. plant was done by Comdr. T. R. Cloake.





Col. Franklin T. Matthias, Wisconsin Beta, '30, commanding officer of the Hanford Engineer Works, state of Washington, sister project to Oak Ridge in production of atomic bombs. (This cut was incorrectly captioned in the February, 1946, JOURNAL.)

blessed them with two sons, Frank Wellons and Charles McCartney Wellons, Jr. The Colonel is a member of the Highland Country Club, Pittsburgh, a past president of the Pittsburgh post of the Society of American Military Engineers, an official of the Propeller Club of the United States and of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

### Boley's Boswell

Dale Boley, Missouri Alpha, '33, is an up-and-coming attorney who lives quietly with his little family in Kansas City, every now and then taking in a meeting of the large body of Sig Ep alumni in that city. Like other good young Americans, Boley was for a time in the service—a Naval lieutenant to be exact—who did his duty gallantly enough—though did not prowling the depths of Tokyo Harbor in a diving suit or anything like that. Still there was at least one instance in the daily press when he got more space than MacArthur, all because in college he had had a Sig Ep roommate who was to become a Pulitzer Prize war correspondent—Hal Boyle, Missouri Alpha, '32.

The two met in Shanghai while Boley was commanding an LST which carried Chinese troops to Formosa, just before he was separated from the service. "The Navy is releasing him from further service among radar rays and offshore currents and sending him back to his old happy world of courts, suits of replevin, writs of mandamus and his houseful of boys," Boyle wrote, reviewing his friend's career in the Navy for the Associated Press columns of the American press.

"During 17 months of sea duty aboard the 4,000-ton LST 627, neither Boley nor any of his men suffered a scratch from combat or operational activities, although they shot down two Japanese planes and made battle landings on the Philippines and Okinawa, where they held the exposed right wing against kamikaze or suicide-plane attacks.

"But his experience in shepherding Chinese occupation troops to Formosa are among his more vivid memories.

"In their first contact with American naval life scores of these Chinese farm boys and coolies in uniform were unable to distinguish between ordinary deck fixtures and plumbing equipment, and it became necessary to string electric lights into all dark corners. The situation improved only after the Chinese army set up demonstration teams ashore to teach latrine lessons to new troops awaiting embarkment.

"One small group of 130 soldiers had two generals to lead them, Boley recalled. 'We had them up to our wardroom for turkey dinner and they kept repeating. *"ting hao, ting hao* (excellent, excellent)," all through the meal. They didn't like the way we cooked rice though.'

"Boley wants to give a mild geography lesson to the naval officer procurement headquarters in Missouri.

"'When I applied for a commission they assured me that with my age and administrative background, I would never have to go to sea,' he said. 'And I just want to ask them if they ever saw Shanghai, Okinawa and Manila listed on the map of the Kansas City Swope Park Lagoon.'"

## ★ BRIEFS ★

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA—University of California

Maj. John H. Finger, '33, was still in Tokyo at last report, with the Theater Judge Advocate's Office on General MacArthur's staff.

### CALIFORNIA BETA—University of Southern California

In the last graduating class of the Naval Reserve Officer's Training program at the University of Southern California the following men of California Beta received ensign's commissions (June, 1946): David Billings, William Camm, William Earnshaw, Robert Fairhead, Jack Filanc.

George Bagwell, '45, is stationed at Fort McClellan, Ala.

### FLORIDA ALPHA—University of Florida

Carl A. Widell, '28, is personnel director for the War Assets Administration, with headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla.

### INDIANA ALPHA—Purdue University

1st Lt. J. Willis Markham, '40, was recently called back into the service as a doctor in the Army Medical Corps and is stationed at the Regional Base Hospital, Hamilton Field, San Rafael, Calif., in charge of the surgical unit.



**KANSAS ALPHA—Baker University**

Dr. Rex L. Diveley, '15, of Kansas City, who entered the Army Medical Division as a major and was discharged last November as a colonel, has been awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct and outstanding service."

The award was presented by Maj. Gen. Paul Hawley, chief of the medical division of the Veterans administration, at Lincoln, Neb., where both were speakers before the Nebraska State Medical association.

Dr. Diveley entered the service in July, 1942, and served in the European war theater. The citation covers particularly his service from May 15, 1944, to May 15, 1945, when he established convalescent centers and camps with a total capacity of 1,300 beds.

"As a direct result," the citation states, "soldiers who might have been permanently disabled were conditioned and returned to duty at a time when every ounce of manpower was desperately needed."

Bill Robins, '46, was recently commissioned first lieutenant in the Dental Corps, U. S. Army.

T/5 Carl Biegert, '39, is serving in the army of occupation in Tokyo.

**KANSAS BETA—Kansas State University**

Allan E. Settle, '37, placed on inactive duty in November, 1945, as a lieutenant colonel, a staff member of the *Kansas City Star*, was recently decorated with the Legion of Merit. The honor was bestowed by his friend, Brig. Gen. William E. Hall, Washington, a member of the advisory group of the Chief of Staff, in Kansas City.

The award was for "meritorious service with headquarters, army air forces and the war department general staff from June, 1944, to November, 1945." It cited that Settle made outstanding contribution in establishing policies on United States requirements for airbase facilities and rights on foreign soil, postwar military air rights in Europe, and that he captured enemy secret weapons.

General Hall became acquainted with Settle while the two were stationed in Washington, the former as deputy chief of staff with headquarters, army air forces, and the latter on duty with that headquarters.

In September and October, 1944, Settle was a member of a mission of five which negotiated with the Portuguese government for air bases in the Azores. He also served in South America, Africa and Europe.

Settle, who joined the *Star's* staff in 1938, has resigned to become assistant to W. E. Bettendorf, jr., president of the Bettendorf Company, a heavy industrial machinery manufacturing concern, situated in Davenport, Iowa.

Lt. Joe K. McNay, '35, formerly stationed at Biggs Field, El Paso, Tex., has recently been assigned to the R.A.F. Staff College in England. The R.A.F. Staff College is equivalent to the U. S. General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., from which he was graduated in 1944.

**MASSACHUSETTS BETA—Worcester Polytechnic Institute**

Lt. Col. Kenneth G. Merriam, '22, was recently awarded the Legion of Merit for his work at the Army Anti-aircraft Artillery School, Camp Davis, N.C.

Lt. John C. Harvey, Jr., '39, is assistant officer-in-charge at the Naval Training School, Camp Perry, Va.

Lt. (jg) Richard A. Carson, '44, is stationed at the Ordnance Disposal Unit, Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.

Ens. Roger F. French, '44, is in the submarine service on the *U.S.S. Redfish*.

**NEW YORK ALPHA—Syracuse University**

Pvt. John W. Fox, of Ellicottville, N.Y., working with Eighth Army Headquarters Public Relations Office in Yokohama, Japan, as a reporter, hopes to get back to the School of Journalism at Syracuse University where he was enrolled before entering the Army.

Inducted into the Army in February of 1945, he received his training as an antitank man with the Infantry at Camp Blanding, Fla. On completion of basic training, he was sent to the University of Pennsylvania to study Japanese in the ASTP, and after nine months was alerted for overseas shipment. After working for Information and Education Section at Camp Beale, Calif., he sailed for Japan, and upon arrival was assigned to Eighth Army Headquarters.

**NEW YORK GAMMA—New York University**

Robert E. Hakusa, S/2c, '49, enlisted in the United States Navy on May 6, 1946, and is stationed at Personnel Transportation, Building #720, U. S. N. T. C., Bainbridge, Md.

Fred Vanacore, U. S. Army, is stationed in Hawaii.

Thornton Gogoll, Merchant Marine, is expected home this summer. His address is P.O. Box 93, Cockeysville, Md.



**DISTELHORST**  
Indiana Alpha



**KERN**  
Colorado Delta

## TEXAS ALPHA—University of Texas

Lt. Col. Wendell E. Little, Texas Alpha, '32, General Staff Corps, United States Army, was cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services, on July 21, 1945; as Chief, G-4 Plans Sub-Section, Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 2 August 1944 to 16 May 1945, in Corsica, France and Germany.

"Lieutenant Colonel Little displayed keen analytical ability in the varied logistical planning which was required to insure proper support of both American and French armies. His knack of dovetailing dissimilar problems of the French and Americans, and his uncanny ability for solving these problems, contributed greatly to the Army Group's success. His ability to coordinate the planning of all Sub-Sections of G-4 with the tactical plans of the Army Group commander and produce a sound G-4 estimate of the situation contributed materially to the successful operations of the Army Group. Entered military service from Virginia."

## Promoted

The following promotion in rank has been reported to the Central Office since the last JOURNAL.

Noah E. Dorius, New York Beta, '39, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel. A member of the famed 11th airborne division, first American troops to occupy Tokyo after the cessation of hostilities, he is still on duty in Japan. He has seen action in both New Guinea and the Philippines, having taken part in a paratrooper jump on Leyte and on Luzon where he was among the paratroopers who jumped on Tagatay Ridge on the drive to the Nicholas Airfield.

## Discharged

The following discharges from the service have been reported to the Central Office since the last JOURNAL, as compiled from the completed Servicemen's Discharge Blank" (again printed in this issue) received. It will be a helpful gesture if men separating from the service, or already separated, who have not sent in these coupons, will do so.

ALABAMA ALPHA: Capt. Joseph L. Dean, '40, Quartermaster Corps; entered service June 6, 1941, discharged

April 16, 1946, after 2½ years in the European theater. PhM2/c William H. Weldon, Navy Medical Corps; entered service September 1, 1942, discharged March 16, 1946.

Lt. Col. John D. McPherson, '35, Chemical Warfare; entered service February 5, 1941, discharged March 16, 1946, at Fort Meade, Md.

ALABAMA BETA: 1st Lt. James Calabra, Jr., '43; entered service July 19, 1943, discharged July 13, 1946, after about 17 months in the China-Burma-India theater, with 3286th Engineers.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA: Lt. Lawrence H. Foster, '36, U. S. Naval Reserve; entered service December 5, 1942, discharged December 7, 1945, after service in the Asiatic-Pacific theater as an M.D.

Capt. William E. Turpen, '36, U. S. Army Ordnance; entered service July 22, 1940, discharged September 18, 1946.

CALIFORNIA BETA: Lt. John K. MacDonald, '39, U. S. Naval Reserve; entered service December 20, 1941, discharged December 27, 1945.

COLORADO GAMMA: 1st Lt. Russell F. Lowe, '42, Army Air Force; entered service in February, 1942, released on December 4, 1945.

Maj. H. James Kern, '40, liaison pilot with the 63rd Division ("Blood and Fire"), field artillery; entered service February 5, 1942, released December 26, 1942.

Tech M John H. Price, Jr., aviation electronics; entered service August 26, 1942, discharged January 10, 1946, after 18 months on Guadalcanal.

COLORADO DELTA: 1st Lt. Otto Eastlund, Jr., '34, CMP battalion adjutant; entered service February 24, 1941, discharged December 19, 1945.

Lt. Col. Robert C. Williams, '30, U. S. Corps of Engineers; entered service October 18, 1940, released March 22, 1946.

DELAWARE ALPHA: Capt. S. Clifford Dunn, '34, CAC; entered service September 5, 1942, released June 10, 1946.

Lt. Col. G. H. Kadel, '34, CAC; entered service January 7, 1941, released August 10, 1945.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALPHA: Capt. Kenneth H. Brunner, '28, Corps of Engineers; entered service January 1, 1943, released April 26, 1945, after "interesting duty" with the Manhattan District in Tennessee, headquarters for the atomic bomb.

S/Sgt. Logan P. Crossland, '31, Army Air Forces; entered service March 25, 1942, discharged September 5, 1945.

1st Lt. Thomas J. McCall, '40, U. S. Army CMP; entered service October 8, 1940, released January 7, 1946.

Maj. Vananda J. Meyl, '26, Corps of Engineers; entered service May 18, 1942, released March 4, 1945.

FLORIDA ALPHA: Maj. J. Joseph Carraher, '30, Air Corps in the African theater and Asiatic-Pacific theater; entered service October 1, 1942, released May 18, 1946.

T/5 Rabun H. Dittmar, Jr., '46, Army Signal Corps; entered service April 17, 1943, discharged March 14, 1946.

Maj. John C. Fralish, '42, field artillery; entered service in June, 1942, released in May, 1946, after 18 months in the European theater.

GEORGIA ALPHA: T/Sgt. Clinton L. Lewis, Jr., '45, Military Intelligence; entered service April 20, 1940, discharged June 6, 1946, after 17 months in China.

QM 3/C Henry F. Schwalbe, U. S. Navy; entered service December, 1942, discharged January 6, 1946, after 16 months overseas in Atlantic and Pacific theaters on Baby Carrier U.S.S. *Bogue*.

ILLINOIS ALPHA: Capt. Edward J. Fieser, '31, Army Air Corps; entered service May 21, 1942, released April 5, 1946.

1st Lt. Robert G. Smith, '35, Corps of Engineers; entered service November 14, 1941, released March 1, 1946, at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Capt. John F. A. Widerhold, '39, Army Air Corps; entered service March 11, 1942, discharged April 24, 1946.

INDIANA ALPHA: Maj. S. D. Distelhorst, '35, Army Signal Corps; entered service July 18, 1942, discharged February 22, 1946.

Capt. John W. Hammann, '36, Army Field Artillery;



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Montana Alpha

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Montana Alpha

entered service September 18, 1941, released April 11, 1946, after duty in the Asiatic-Pacific theater.

Capt. William J. Meyer, Jr., '43, Army Field Artillery; entered service January 8, 1943, completed terminal leave March 27, 1946, after about 9 months overseas.

Lt. (jg) Robert U. Sautter, '44; entered service July 1, 1943, released February 23, 1946, with destroyer duty since August, 1944.

Maj. Roger W. Speidel, '29, Army Transportation Corps; entered service in October, 1943, released in February, 1946, after 18 months overseas.

Lt. Stuart R. Thomson, '42, U. S. Navy; entered service January 16, 1942, discharged June 13, 1946, after 19 months overseas.

Lt. John C. Van Camp, Jr., '41, U. S. Navy; entered service October 5, 1942, released December 24, 1945, after 20 months in England and France including participation in the Normandy invasion.

Lt. Col. Robert N. Voigt, '37, Army Ordnance Dept.; entered service December 22, 1939, released January 17, 1946.

IOWA BETA: Capt. Clarence G. Behnke, '35, Chemical Warfare Service; entered service April 9, 1942, began terminal leave May 2, 1946.

1st Lt. Robert W. Lindauer, Army Air Corps; entered service February 21, 1943, date of discharge not given.

Cpl. Maynard W. Pechman, '39, Army Infantry, European theater; entered service in December, 1942, discharged September 9, 1945.

IOWA GAMMA: Capt. David A. Armbruster, Jr., '43, Army Infantry; entered service February 1, 1943, released May 25, 1946, after 23 months overseas.

KANSAS ALPHA: Capt. Francis C. Clark, '29, Army Ordnance; entered service December 23, 1940, ended terminal leave March 11, 1946, after overseas duty in the Aleutian Islands.

KANSAS BETA: Capt. Roy W. Swafford, Jr., '40, pilot in the Army Air Forces; entered service October 7, 1941, released March 22, 1946, after one year overseas.

KANSAS GAMMA: 2nd Lt. Raymond L. Childers, Coast Artillery Corps; entered service May 29, 1943, released September 8, 1944.

S/Sgt. Kenneth L. Hart, '47, Army Air Corps; entered service July, 1943, discharged March 4, 1946, at Fort Logan, Utah, having been overseas since April, 1945.

KENTUCKY ALPHA: Yeoman 3/c Karl A. Christ, '50, U. S. Navy; entered service March 1, 1944, discharged May 30, 1946.

LOUISIANA ALPHA: Lt. Col. Warren C. Rush, '35, Army Air Forces; entered service November 14, 1941, released November 8, 1945.

MARYLAND ALPHA: T/4 Neil P. Pratt, '47, Army Medical Corps; entered service June 5, 1944, discharged June 16, 1946, after 17 months in the European theater.

Lt. Henry Newton Schillinger, Jr., '31, U. S. Navy; entered service May, 1944, released May 1, 1946, after a year overseas.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA: Soundman 2/C David H. Johnson, '39, U. S. Coast Guard; entered service July 13, 1943, discharged December 18, 1945, on points, at Boston, Mass.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA: Seaman 1/C Kenneth A. Lyons, '46, U. S. Naval Reserve; entered service July 1, 1943, discharged April 28, 1946.

Lt. Col. Kenneth G. Merriam, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, '22, CAC Army; entered service June 27, 1942, discharged as full colonel August 8, 1946, having been decorated with the Legion of Merit and Army Commendation Ribbon.

MICHIGAN ALPHA: Col. Joseph V. Hodgson, '21, '25 Law, Commissioner for the United States on United War Crimes Commission; entered service June 6, 1942; still on active duty.

S/Sgt. Harry G. Troxell, '46; entered service March 13, 1943, discharged April 3, 1946, after 15 months overseas.

MINNESOTA ALPHA: Flight Officer Orville M. Vollum, '41, Army Air Corps, entered service November 27, 1942, released October 20, 1945, after six months in the European theater.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA: Pfc. Robert D. Keller, Armored



MERRILL  
Iowa Beta



SCHANDT  
Iowa Beta

Infantry; entered service August 28, 1943, discharged December 31, 1945, after 18 months in the European theater.

MISSISSIPPI BETA: Capt. David W. Wilkins, '43, Army Infantry; entered service August 11, 1943, released June 30, 1946, after 18 months overseas.

MISSOURI ALPHA: Capt. Jack H. Blair, III, '38, 503rd Parachute Regiment; entered service January 27, 1941, released May 13, 1946, after 40 months overseas participating in 5 campaigns, all in southwest Pacific; holder of Bronze Star, Air Medal, Purple Heart with cluster, Distinguished Unit Badge, Combat Infantry Badge.

Lt. John M. McNeerney, '29, U. S. Navy; entered service May 15, 1943, released November 1, 1945.

MONTANA ALPHA: Tech 3rd Grade Theodore Gram, '42, U. S. Army; entered service July 22, 1943, discharged February 1, 1946, after 22 months overseas.

Pvt. Walton H. Petsch, '35, Army Combat Engineers; entered service September 27, 1943, discharged March 2, 1944, for injuries received in training.

Maj. R. K. Schroeder (M.D.), '34, Dental Corps in Air Corps; entered service May 16, 1942, released December 19, 1945, after 32 months overseas as director of Dental Service for the 3rd Air Division under famed Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay in England.

NEBRASKA ALPHA: Cpl. Ted Anderson, '45, Army Armored Artillery; entered service December 8, 1942, released January 27, 1946, after 15 months in the European theater; awarded Bronze Star for action in France during January, 1945.

1st Lt. Jay F. Hoffman, '43, U. S. Marine Corps; entered service July 25, 1942, released June 15, 1946, after overseas duty in Saipan and Japan.

Lt. Glen B. Justice, '34, U. S. Navy; entered service January 25, 1943, released November 1, 1945, after 18 months overseas as anti-submarine specialist on staff of Destroyers Eighth Fleet and Task Force 66; holder of 3 Battle Stars and Navy Letter of Commendation.

T/4 Buden O. Portwood, '44, DEML; entered service March 30, 1943, discharged January 18, 1946, after 30 months overseas.

Sgt. Purman Y. Rembe, '36, Army Air Corps; entered service February 3, 1943, discharged January 8, 1946, after 26 months overseas.

S/Sgt. Robert C. Ritchie, '38, Army Signal Corps; entered service May 7, 1943, discharged April 16, 1946, after 26 months overseas.

Lt. Gilbert L. Schroff, '39, U. S. Navy; entered service October 26, 1942, released December 17, 1945, after 28 months overseas on DD488 (the McCalla) in Pacific theater.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA: M/Sgt. William B. Perry, '42, Army Air Forces; entered service June 16, 1942, discharged December 9, 1945, after duty on Saipan.

Pfc. Frederick A. Tilton, '28, U. S. Marines; entered service March 23, 1944, discharged January 19, 1945.

NEW JERSEY ALPHA: Lt. Comdr. Arthur E. Blier, '35, USNR; entered service October 13, 1941, released to inactive duty January 26, 1946, after 27 months overseas duty on Destroyers Squadron 1.

Lt. Milton P. Franklin, '43, USNR; entered service April 3, 1942, released June 21, 1946, after overseas duty at Yokosuka, Japan.

Lt. Comdr. A. Harold Peters, '21, USNR; entered service August 31, 1942, released to inactive duty February 6, 1945, after duty in the Southwest Pacific.

NEW MEXICO ALPHA: Electrician M 2/c Herbert L. Colton, '44, U. S. Coast Guard; entered service December 15, 1942, discharged April 17, 1946, in San Francisco, Calif., after overseas duty on Sopac in the Philippines.

NEW YORK ALPHA: Maj. Stanley A. Evans, '36, Corps of Military Police; entered service November 25, 1940, returned to inactive duty January 15, 1946.

Capt. Frederick T. Turkington, '40, Army Air Corps; entered service April 14, 1941, released March 5, 1946, after 21 months overseas.

NEW YORK BETA: Tech M 1/c Stewart W. Banks '46, U. S. Navy; entered service March 8, 1943, discharged March 13, 1946, after 18 months overseas.

Lt. John S. McGowin, '31, USNR; entered service January 19, 1944, released February 19, 1946, after 15 months in the Southwest Pacific theater.

Capt. Charles K. Nichols, '26, Chemical Warfare Service; entered service December 12, 1942, discharged March 18, 1946; received citation for Army Commendation Ribbon from Chief of Chemical Warfare Service.

Maj. Norman R. Lockwood, Army Air Forces; discharged December, 1945; no other data given.

NEW YORK GAMMA: Lt. Anton R. Jorgensen, '40, U. S. Coast Guard; entered service September 16, 1941, released to inactive duty June 7, 1946.

Lt. Col. David McGilvray, '30, Army Infantry; entered service July, 1942, released April 4, 1946, after 33 months overseas in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, Southern France, and Greece; awarded the Legion of Merit.

Maj. W. R. Spencer, Jr., '37, Army Infantry; entered service December 26, 1940, released January 15, 1946, after 14 months overseas.

NORTH CAROLINA DELTA: Capt. Ralph G. Templeton, '38, Army Medical Corps; entered service July 3, 1943, discharged December 7, 1945, after 17 months with the U. S. 3rd Army.

NORTH CAROLINA EPSILON: Lt. Charles Henderson, '42, U. S. Navy; entered service December 31, 1942, discharged July 1, 1946, after 26 months overseas.

S/Sgt. John B. Pridgen, Jr., '40, Army Air Corps; entered service October 31, 1942, discharged February 10, 1946.

Capt. Robert L. Orr, '35, Army Corps of Engineers; entered service July 10, 1942, released December 19, 1945, after two years overseas.

NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA: S/Sgt. James H. Spence, '42, Army Air Corps; entered service August 12, 1942, discharged January 3, 1946.

S/Sgt. Kenneth D. Weagly, '36, DEML; entered service January 4, 1943, discharged March 12, 1946, at Fort Meade, Md.

NORTH CAROLINA ZETA: Y 1/c Charles O. Logan, '43, USNR; entered service November 25, 1942, discharged April 22, 1946, at San Pedro, Calif., after 11½ months overseas.

Seaman 2/c Vernor Rogers Vines, U. S. Coast Guard; entered service August 31, 1945; date of discharge not reported.

OHIO ALPHA: Lt. Col. Wilbur C. Cotner, '21, Army Air Forces; entered service January 15, 1942, discharged April 18, 1946; in the Pacific theater two years.

Capt. Gerald W. Fling, '35, Corps of Engineers; entered service August 19, 1942, discharged December 20, 1945.

Lt. Robert L. Townsend, Jr., '42, U. S. Coast Guard Reserve; entered service August 28, 1942, discharged November 5, 1946, after 26 months overseas.

OHIO GAMMA: PhM 2/c Roland R. Moore, Jr., '46, U. S. Navy; entered service October 9, 1943, discharged May 6, 1946, after 18 months overseas.

1st Lt. August H. Honeck, '40, Army Air Corps pilot; entered service April 11, 1942, discharged November 28, 1945, after duty in the Southwest Pacific.

OHIO EPSILON: 1st Lt. David M. Bailey, '40, Army

Air Corps; entered service September, 1941, released June, 1945, after overseas duty with the 8th Air Force; holder of Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters.

Cpl. Robert D. Clay, '42, Army Ordnance; entered service February 18, 1943, discharged December 15, 1945, after 26 months overseas.

Lt. Haldean S. Lindsey, '34, Chaplain Corps; entered service September 5, 1944; released June 1, 1946, after six months overseas.

OKLAHOMA ALPHA: 1st Sgt. James M. Johnston, '34, security and intelligence; entered service March 5, 1942, released November 17, 1945.

Warrant Officer (jg) E. Francis Males, '37; entered service March 22, 1943, released December 9, 1945.

RdM 2/c Ike Webb, '34, U. S. Navy; entered service February 21, 1944, discharged December 1, 1945, after 15 months overseas.

OREGON BETA: Sk 1/c Jack McMahan, '46, U. S. Navy; entered service June 7, 1943, discharged May 7, 1946, after 31 months overseas.

Maj. Neill S. Chinnock, '28, T.C.; entered service July, 1942, released on terminal leave until April, 1946, after 40 months overseas.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA: Lt. Eugene F. Baker, '39, USNR; entered service December 28, 1942, discharged December 21, 1945, at San Francisco, having served in "all major theaters of operations."

Maj. Charles E. Wiegner, Jr., '37, Air Corps; entered service May 15, 1942, released to Air Corps Reserve March 28, 1946, after overseas duty in North Africa.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON: Tech 4th Grade Earl A. Brawn, '43, Corps of Engineers; entered service June 17, 1943, discharged May 25, 1946.

T/Sgt. Robert H. Hebard, '39, Corps of Engineers; entered service February 4, 1941, discharged December 4, 1945.

Capt. Arthur C. Palmer, '25, Transportation Corps; entered service August 9, 1943, released June 25, 1946, after 28 months overseas.

Lt. (jg) Arthur J. White, '43, USNR; entered service June 28, 1943, released March 8, 1946, after overseas duty in the Southwest Pacific.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA: 1st Lt. Jay Harvey Albere, Signal Corps; entered service August 20, 1942, released on terminal leave until May 26, 1946, after 17 months on Tinian, Marianas Islands.

Capt. John A. Standen, Jr., '37, U. S. Army; entered service January 15, 1941, discharged April 28, 1946.

PENNSYLVANIA THETA: Cmdr. Neil D. Cole, '28, U. S. Navy; entered service May, 1941, released March, 1946.

PENNSYLVANIA IOTA: Sp (C) 1/c Samuel D. Mock, '31, U. S. Navy; entered service July 30, 1943, released February 14, 1946.

PENNSYLVANIA KAPPA: T/Sgt. W. E. Davis, '39, Army Air Forces; entered service December 8, 1941, released November 29, 1945, after duty in the European theater.

1st Lt. Richard Wynn, '39, Army Air Forces; entered service August 26, 1942, released August 31, 1945, after service as a B-17 navigator with 100th Bomber Group, European theater; 12 months prisoner of war in Germany, escaped.

PENNSYLVANIA LAMBDA: RdM 3/c Charles D. Biscaglia, '46, U. S. Navy; entered service July 1, 1943, released May 6, 1946, after 11 months overseas.

QM 2/c John M. Wacker, Jr., '46, U. S. Navy; entered service July 1, 1943, discharged April 15, 1945, after overseas duty.

PENNSYLVANIA MU: SC 2/c Joseph M. Becker, '44, U. S. Navy; entered service August 7, 1941, discharged December 26, 1946, after 3 years overseas.

TENNESSEE ALPHA: Platoon Sgt. Fannie B. Ladd, '30, U. S. Marine Corps; entered service November 7, 1940, discharged October 3, 1945, after 32 months overseas; first American to land on foreign shores in national emergency, 1940, Reykjavik, Iceland, July 7, 1941. Awarded Silver Star by Secretary of Navy at Funafuti, Ellice Island, for rescue of 74 lives; also awarded Commendation Ribbon; when discharged at Marine Corps headquarters was serving as the special press representative for Commandant of the Marine Corps.

TEXAS ALPHA: Pfc. T. Roland Parrett, '32, 914th Field Artillery, 89th Infantry Division; entered service January 11, 1944, discharged December 24, 1945, at Camp Chaffee, Ark., after 11 months in the European theater with the advance elements that took Odrorff Concentration.

Cpl. Richard T. Scott, '47, Medical detail, Army Air Forces; entered service January 12, 1944, discharged April 17, 1946, after 13 months overseas.

VERMONT ALPHA: Capt. Donald M. Bagbee, '31, CWS; entered service June 30, 1942, released March 18, 1946.

1st Lt. William W. Magnus, '41, Armored division; entered service July 18, 1941, released October 4, 1945, after 7 months overseas.

1st Lt. Charles L. Sellars, '44, CAV; entered service April 12, 1943, released April 5, 1946, after six months overseas; holder of Purple Heart with cluster and 3 battle stars in the European theater.

1st Lt. Norman R. Stanley, '41, Field Artillery; entered service June 21, 1942, released March 2, 1946, after 7 months overseas.

1st Lt. Edward R. Tufts, '46, Army Air Corps; entered service September 16, 1940, released January 26, 1946, after overseas duty in Italy.

VERMONT BETA: SM 3/c Douglas G. Christie, '46, U. S. Navy; entered service April 27, 1943, discharged February 19, 1946, after 26 months overseas.

Capt. George R. Davis, '40, Infantry; entered service February 25, 1941, released March 22, 1946, after 2 years overseas.

Maj. Charles O. Wagenhale, '39, Medical Corps; entered service January 14, 1944, released April 15, 1946, after 21 months overseas duty in European theater as battalion surgeon.

VIRGINIA ALPHA: Capt. Allan Brockenbrough, '39, Field Artillery; entered service August 1, 1941, released February 12, 1946, after 15 months overseas.

Capt. John A. Long, '40, Quartermaster Corps; entered service December 16, 1941, released February 27, 1946, after 34 months overseas.

Lt. (jg) John A. Schools, '43, U. S. Navy; entered service April 5, 1943, discharged April 30, 1946, after overseas duty.

VIRGINIA DELTA: Capt. Albert F. Nurnberger, '35,

Chemical Warfare Services; entered service April 6, 1942, released April 10, 1946.

VIRGINIA EPSILON: 1st Sgt. Neil C. Pascoe, '34; entered service July 20, 1943, discharged November 12, 1945, after 13 months overseas in the European theater; he was the first corporal to cross the Rhine River.

VIRGINIA ETA: QM 2/c Gordon Ambler, '45, USNR; entered service October 28, 1943, discharged April 19, 1946, after 17 months overseas in Mediterranean, Atlantic, and Caribbean aboard USS Stoddard and USS Porter.

QM 3/c W. C. Bobbitt, Jr., '46, U. S. Navy; entered service June 10, 1943, discharged April 13, 1946, after 14 months in the Pacific area.

2nd Lt. Elmer Lawson Cook, '36, Army Air Corps; entered service November 26, 1940, released November 30, 1943.

PhM 1/c Bernard Kumo, U. S. Navy; entered service September 9, 1942, discharged February 1, 1946, at Norman, Okla.

VIRGINIA ZETA: Capt. Charles C. Ellett, Infantry; entered service April 19, 1941, released February 17, 1946, after 43 months overseas.

WASHINGTON BETA: Lt. Comdr. Gerald A. Calhoun, '29, U. S. Navy; entered service September, 1942, released September, 1946, after 21 months overseas.

2nd Lt. Ronald S. Green, '39, Army Air Corps; entered service August 4, 1943, released September 18, 1945.

WEST VIRGINIA BETA: Capt. John B. Helmbold, '29, Chemical Warfare Service; entered service November 4, 1942, discharged medically May 8, 1944.

WISCONSIN ALPHA: T/Sgt. Donald J. Johnson, '43, Army Air Corps; entered service October 12, 1942, discharged November 13, 1945, after 23 months in England, France, Germany, and Belgium.

RdM 3/c Richard Pantall Martin, '35, USNR; entered service August 28, 1944, discharged May 11, 1946, after 11 months sea duty including Marshall Islands.

Lt. William H. Zuehlke, Jr., '36, USNR; entered service June 16, 1941, released December 31, 1945, after 4 years overseas.

WISCONSIN BETA: T/Sgt. Warren Templeton, '43, Army Engineers; entered service October 13, 1942, discharged December 29, 1945, after 18 months overseas.

★ ★ ★ ★ IF YOU HAVEN'T, WOULD YOU? ★ ★ ★ ★

The Central Office records of Sig Eps in the war cannot be completed unless accurate notification is received of the date of discharge. For purposes of checking, certain other data will be helpful. The JOURNAL will attempt to publish a list of the discharged men, by chapter, giving rank and branch of service, as it is received. Kindly fill in the form and return AT ONCE to:

SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY, 1900 West Broad Street, Richmond 20, Virginia

Name ..... Chapter..... Class .....

Rank .....Branch of service .....

Date of entry into service ..... Overseas .....

Date of discharge, etc. ....

Home address .....

Do you plan to resume college course? ..... Where? .....

..... When? .....

Additional info and comment .....

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Newest Alumni Chapter, the Dallas men meet for dinner. L. to r.: Keith Congdon, Niles Resch, George McCoy, Henry Elkins, Frank Martina, Perry McPherson, Herbert Craft, President Luis Roberts, X. R. Gill, James Burke, Warren Collins, Frank Gerhart, Herman Little, Homer McConkey, James Teeling, Bayard Smith, and Maury Hughes. Luis Roberts is the new Junior Grand Marshal of the national Fraternity.

## WITH THE ALUMNI

### ★ MORE ACTIVITY IS NEEDED ★

#### Dallas Doings

**T**HE Dallas Alumni Association held its last meeting as an association on July 1 at dinner in the Adolphus Hotel; there were thirty-three lusty Sig Eps on hand of which twenty-eight were in line for and signed the petition for an alumni chapter in Dallas. Since its revival in February this year the Dallas Alumni Association has been holding monthly dinner meetings with average turnouts from fifteen to twenty men; however, it is only until recently that a preliminary line-up on all Sig Eps in Dallas has been worked out, and future meetings should see this attendance boosted greatly.

At the July 1 meeting a re-election of officers was held and the roll now stands as follows: Luis J. Roberts, California Beta, president; James J. Teeling, Texas Alpha, vice-president; Frank A. Gerhart, Iowa Beta, secretary; and Herb O. Craft, Texas Alpha, treasurer.

Bayard M. Smith, Texas Alpha, of the Dallas Alumni Association, was recently elected vice-president of an alumni corporation formed by representatives from the alumni associations in Austin, Dallas, Houston, Ft. Worth, El Paso, and Amarillo to give aid and guidance to our Texas Alpha chapter at the University of Texas in Austin. A report was given by Brother Smith of the latest corporation meeting on June 29 and of the present status of the Texas Alpha chapter. The three guests present from Texas Alpha were James Balliew, Gene Marwill, and James Spain.

Herb Craft, Texas Alpha, gave a report on the progress of establishing the "Texas Beta" chapter in the Southern Methodist University in Dallas, and it was indicated that the necessary men for this could be lined up soon with active alumni participation. An interesting response on this project was given by guests Maury Barnes, Colorado Gamma, who is now attending "SMU," together with Louie Kimple, Texas Alpha, and

Dorsey Lindner, Kentucky Alpha. Several group rushing plans were laid out for the following months.

Jim Teeling, Texas Alpha, was appointed to head a committee for sponsoring a Sig Ep dinner dance the night of the Oklahoma University-Texas University football game on October 12. This will be held at the Melrose Hotel with an orchestra of our selection for the evening. Detailed plans will be published in the JOURNAL under *Dallas Doings* as soon as possible. We warn, however, even at this date there is not a hotel room in Dallas available on call for that week-end of October 12; however, we hope that any Sig Eps who can possibly attend this dance can work out personal accommodations, and we are looking forward with pleasure to being host for this first, gala post-war occasion. The visitors who may possibly come for the Oklahoma A & M-Texas A & M football game the day before are cordially invited to stay over for the dance.

The Dallas Alumni Association has arranged for dinner meetings the first Monday evening of each month and all visiting Sig Eps who may be in town are cordially invited to attend. Simply call Frank Gerhart at C-7144, Herb Craft at F2-2246, or Luis Roberts at T-8191 upon arrival for arrangements and reservation.

—FRANK GERHART

Dallas Alumni Chapter will climax the Oklahoma-Texas football game in Dallas October 12 with a dinner dance at the Melrose Hotel. Oklahoma and Texas A & M Universities play in the Cotton Bowl Friday night, October 11, so we anticipate many Sig Eps in Dallas for the weekend.

A reception will precede the buffet dinner dance at the Melrose Hotel. Sig Eps who plan to be in Dallas are urged to make their reservations for this important affair NOW. Cost will be \$5 per plate. Send your check to the Dallas Alumni Chapter secretary, Frank Gerhart, 1800 North Market St., Dallas, Tex.

—LUIS ROBERTS

## Gala Stevens Dinner

The special Mid-Summer New Jersey Alpha Chapter Alumni Dinner held July 1 at Meyers Hotel in Hoboken, N.J. attracted 51 brothers. Honored attendants were Grand Secretary Emeritus William L. Phillips, Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., and District Governor Robert W. Kelly.

Purpose of the dinner was to acquaint New Jersey Alpha alumni with the housing problem that faced the chapter, and to propose the purchase of a new chapter house located at 530 Hudson Street, Hoboken. The chapter lost its old rented house to the Navy in July, 1943, when the Navy moved in on the Stevens campus, and has since been temporarily housed by other fraternities on the campus—first by Alpha Kappa Pi, then by Sigma Nu.

Following inspirational talks by Uncle Billy Phillips and Bob Kelly, and a discussion led by Archie Blirer, the New Jersey Alpha Alumni Board president, the unanimous vote of those present was in favor of purchase of the new house and the promotion of a campaign to raise \$15,000 from the chapter's 300 alumni.

The evening closed on a talk by Grand Secretary Hindman titled "The Golden Age of Fraternities."

Sig Ep alumni among those present were:

Prof. Arthur J. Weston, '04, Howard P. Smith, '12, Stanley G. Tresonhick, '19, Thomas Steel, '20, Alvin H. Johnson, '21, Henry J. Steeneck, '21, Elmer S. Tuthill, '23, Eugene B. Geh, '25, Asst. Prof. Kenneth J. Moser, '28, Charles R. Nichols, Jr., '29, George P. Rettig, '30, George L. Lingner, '31, Hans A. Nefzger, '32, Arthur E. Blirer, '35, Paul T. Kaestner, '35, Frank Mascariich, '35, Edward A. Otocka, '35, John A. Boyajeane, '38, Richard J. Goldrick, '38, Avernach W. B. Johnsen, '38, Walter F. Doring, Jr., '40, Edward J. Spoerer, Jr., '40, Richard J. Cyphers, Jr., '41, John H. Baumann, '42, Anthony A. Hein, '42, Alfred J. Barchi, '43, William F. Haggerty, '43, Thurston C. LeVay, '43, Arthur R. Lewandowski, '43, William J. Canavan, '44, Arthur B. Cassidy, '45, Frank J. Furfaro, '45, Daniel J. Jordan, Jr., '45, Frank C. Hamilton, '45, Ensign Thomas A. Fregeau, '47; and returned GI's Walter C. Graulich, Jr., and Kenneth E. Smith.

## Detroit Diversions

Detroit Alumni Chapter met at the Barlum Hotel March 28, 1946, and enjoyed movies and cards. Glenn D. Curtis entertained the group with technicolor movies taken on his recent visit to Central and South America. President V. J. McAvoy, of McAleer Mfg. Co., and former Alumni Trustee E. T. Pheney debated with Past Grand President E. Reed Hunt and Albert L. Pfaller on some of the problems of returning war veterans from the fraternity viewpoint, with Roy A. Lockerman, of Ternstedt Mfg. Co., acting as moderator.

Detroit Alumni Chapter met at the Statler Hotel on Thursday evening, May 23, 1946, and several important matters were taken up and disposed of. General discussion was entertained by the chair upon the advisability and desirability of moving the Fraternity's national headquarters

from Richmond to some other location, and, after consideration of all phases of the question, it was the unanimous vote of all members in attendance that no change should be made. Fraternity tradition was held to outweigh any material advantage of a more central location.

The matter of selecting a delegate and alternate to attend the District Convention of Districts IX and X at Indiana Alpha on May 25 and 26, 1946, was taken up but none of the members present was able to act, due to other engagements. The Secretary reported that he had canvassed all known alumni in this locality who attended Purdue but was unsuccessful in obtaining volunteers. It was suggested that notice of future District Conventions be given well in advance of the time fixed in order to give alumni members ample time to arrange to attend.

The question of holding meetings during the summer was discussed and it was voted to suspend activities until the fall meeting, which will be held September 26, 1946.

Alumni Trustee Dr. John R. Pear, reported that Michigan Alpha has arranged to take care of the expected overflow of actives attending the University this coming fall term by reserving a rooming house adjacent to the chapter house. Members who expect to return to school this fall are urged to notify the comptroller or chapter president promptly, as it is a case of "first come first served."

The matter of obtaining a favorable ruling from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to exempt the Building Association from taxation was referred to a Committee with power to take any necessary steps.

—JOHN F. JORDAN

## Chicago Boys Active

Meetings are held on the second Friday of every month at the Piccadilly Restaurant at 410 South Michigan Ave. Dinner for those who care for it is at 6:30 P.M. and the regular meeting starts at 8:30.

The attendance at our meetings has steadily been on the increase since the close of the war. Our July 12 meeting was attended by twenty-three brothers. H. W. Sandberg, Illinois Alpha, gave a talk on the need for rushees for the coming semester at Illinois.

The present officers of the Chicago Alumni Chapter are: John P. Cisler, Illinois Alpha, president; Aubrey Peters, vice-president; Tom Hull, Illinois Alpha, treasurer; Rudolph Monson, Illinois Alpha, secretary.

—R. A. MONSON

The July meeting of the Chicago Alumni Chapter was a great success produced by the attendance of many members of the Illinois Alpha Chapter such as Ken Johnson, Bill Sandberg, Norm Sebastian, Art Fairman, Jack West, and Jack Levy. Ockie Goebel of Evansville also dropped in to make the party more lively.

—J. RUSSELL PRATT





PLEDGE CLASS of '39 . . . Only five were present when the picture was taken but two more showed up later. Left to right, Max Johnson, Jim Bradley, Louis Rodwell, Dick Southall, and Bob Findlay. This is only one of many smaller reunions which took place at the big Kansas Alpha Victory Stag, June 1.

### Baker's Victory Stag

Right on schedule, as predicted consistently in the *War Whoop*, Kansas Alpha's chapter news letter, since the summer of 1943, over 125 alumni of the chapter gathered on June 1, 1946, to celebrate the victory of America over her foes and the victory of Kansas Alpha over the hardships of a wartime existence. There was much enthusiasm all around as the alums viewed the results of the \$5000 remodeling program started last year. Besides renewing old acquaintances, exchanging war stories, and enjoying a fried chicken dinner and program sponsored by Coach E. S. Liston, there was new business at the alumni meeting in the form of electing an Alumni Board to carry on the work already started for the chapter. The members of the board are now as follows: President, Thomas H. Neal; treasurer, Richard J. Southall; members, Mack Littrell, Gene Farrow, Richard C. Southall, Dr. Charles C. Dennie, Fred Price, and Max Johnson.

With a start of two actives in February, 1946, the returning service men had built up a chapter of nineteen members by the time of the Stag and a vigorous rushing program this summer promises to fill the house to the brim for the beginning of the fall term. All possible facilities will be used in the house to aid Baker University in her housing problem. One feature of the recent remodeling was the addition of three new rooms which will make it possible to house about ten additional men this fall. The unanimous opinion among the alums was that the best way to keep a strong chapter was to have an interested and active alumni group behind the active chapter. To that end plans are being formulated to have an even bigger stag next year, and to keep them that way in the years to come.

—R. J. SOUTHALL, '43

### N.Y.U. Summer Reunion

New York Gamma's Spring Reunion Banquet and Formal Initiation was held at the Hotel Vanderbilt, Park Avenue, New York, June 28, 1946.

At an initiation ceremony conducted entirely by actives for the first time since 1943, John Anthony Woolf, Philip Joseph Leto, Charles John Grant, Jr., and Philip Nicholas Spina became brothers in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Afterwards, District Governor Robert W. Kelly read the Interpretation in the absence of Gerald E. SeBoyar, faculty adviser.

A fine dinner was enjoyed by all present and messages of greeting from National Headquarters were read.

Brothers attending, and making speeches, following Bob Kelly and Floyd Akins, Alumni Board president, include: Gib Kelly, Dick Lupke, Arnold Miller, Harry Berchtold, Bill Kennedy, Walt White, George Wolf, William Schofield, Walter Colton, Charles Brand, Jocko Keig (nine grand speeches), Dick Hanna, T/4 Sal Gentile, Charlie Faruolo, Joseph McCauley, Edward Small, James Stomber, Jack Collins, Thomas Thornton, Louis Guglielmo, Marvin Dorothy, Walter McEnaney, Joe Otto, Norman Eriksen, L. George Roscher, Carlos Grant, Juanito Woolf, Philip Spina, Philip Leto, Roberto Leunig, Charles Thorne, Constantine Nickou, Gunther Pohl, Bud Jorgenson, Dave McGilvray, Walt Theisson, and Bill Spencer.

One highlight of the occasion was the appearance of the first issue of the *New York Gammazette*, edited by Richard D. Lupke. The paper's appearance was further made possible by the gallant eleventh-hour work of Harry Berchtold and Gunther Pohl.

The next get-together is planned for November at the Fordham game, to be followed by an informal dance.

—GEORGE E. WOLF

### Pre-Installation Fête

The Oklahoma City alumni staged a buffet dinner at the Huckins Hotel, April 16, 1946, at which honor guests were the members of Phi Epsilon Local on the campus of the University, Norman, which has since become Oklahoma Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

District Governor Tom Sexton was toastmaster for the dinner, which included attendants from as far afield as Stillwater and Tulsa, with Field Secretary Ray McCron and JOURNAL Editor John Robson representing the national Fraternity.

The following attended:

*Oklahoma City Alumni:* Dan Arnold, Oklahoma Alpha; Ben Ellis, Oklahoma Alpha; Frank Wilton Jones, Oklahoma Alpha; Bannon G. McCall, Kansas Gamma; Parks A. Yeats, Oklahoma Alpha; W. Ken Bloomberg, Kansas Beta; J. Howard Ralston, Missouri Alpha; Howard E. White, Oklahoma Alpha; George S. Tinsley, Kansas Gamma; Clyde H. Dorr, Arkansas Alpha; H. Duke Ewing, Oklahoma Alpha.

*Tulsa Alumni:* George W. Davis, Oklahoma Alpha; Robert G. Fry, Arkansas Alpha; Clyde Winteringer, Okla-



homa Alpha; Wesley F. Shaw, Oklahoma Alpha; Tom Brannon, Oklahoma Alpha.

*Norman Alumni:* Jim Haddock, Harry Synar, and Tom G. Sexton, all of Oklahoma Alpha.

*Stillwater Members:* Bill Fitzstephens, Hal Hazelrigg, Leon (T-Bone) McDonald, Robert F. Scott, Victor C. Jones, J. Frank Boutwell, J. Kendall Lindsay, all of Oklahoma Alpha.

*Members of Phi Epsilon:* David George, Tulsa; Robert L. Andrews, Grove; James Cobbs, Sapulpa; Bill Holder-ness, Carlsbad, N.Mex., and Charles Clark, Idabel.

## Pre-Conclave

The Kansas City Alumni Chapter held a dinner at the Harvey Restaurant April 24, 1946, attended by approximately forty members, including Grand President Earle W. Frost, Past Grand President Paul G. Koontz, and John Robson, editor of the JOURNAL, who gave a brief informal report on recent progress of the Fraternity.

C. Harold Elting, Missouri Alpha, '24, president of the chapter, led a discussion on planning for the 1947 Conclave, for which, it is presumed, the Kansas City Alumni Chapter will be host. Kenneth E. Van Scoy, Nebraska Alpha, '23, who was a member of the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter at the time of the last Conclave in that city and 1940 and served as a foremost worker with the arrangements committee, is today a member of the Kansas City chapter.

## Knoxville Mothers

The Sigma Phi Epsilon Mother's Club of Knoxville meets frequently at the fraternity house, 1533 Laurel Avenue. At a recent meeting, Mrs. Robert Kay reviewed Thomas B. Costain's, *The Black Rose*. Co-hostesses were Mrs. DeWitt Yates and Mrs. Robert A. Burgin.

## Reunion in Syracuse

The Fortieth Anniversary of the founding of New York Alpha will be held Colgate Weekend, November 15, 16, and 17, 1946. Plans have been followed to make it "the biggest and best reunion ever." Two hundred tickets, in blocks of fifty, have been reserved for the Colgate game. The ball room of the Onondaga Hotel has been reserved for the reunion banquet Saturday night, November 16. Stanley Evans, '36 (1455 East Colvin Street, Syracuse 10, N.Y.) is chairman.

## Troy Business

At a recent meeting of the New York Delta alumni held in Troy, N.Y., at the chapter house the following men were elected to the board of directors of the association: William D'Orville Doty and Lee Wilson for three-year terms, Theodore Wenzl and Leigh Townley for two-year terms, and Edward Grant and Lewis G. Bassett for one-year terms.

At a board meeting following the regular meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year: W. D. Doty, president; Lee Wilson,

vice-president; Theodore Wenzl, secretary; and Leigh Townley, treasurer.

During the meeting it was decided to take the steps necessary for the purchase of the chapter house in the name of the Alumni Association and to make the necessary repairs and redecorations.

—FREDERICK H. LANE, JR.

## Tulsa Tidings

The Tulsa Alumni Chapter continues to be active in fraternity work, as well as keeping in contact with all the alumni, by holding its monthly meetings the first Tuesday in each month at the Hotel Tulsa.

Due to conflicts with the first Tuesday in July, our meeting was held on July 9 at which time new officers were elected for the coming year as follows: Wesley F. Shaw, president; C. Ralph Rasor, vice-president; Herbert M. Logan, historian; William Osborn, secretary; Cecil W. Powers, treasurer; William Whittaker, guard.

At this meeting a final report was made on the installation of Oklahoma Gamma chapter at Tulsa University. Also discussed in detail, with proper committees being appointed, was the coming meeting of the Executive Council of the Grand Chapter to be held in Tulsa August 12, 13, 14, 1946, at Hotel Tulsa. While we realize the committee has three full days of work, a sight-seeing trip for Sunday the 11th, is being set up for those who will be here in time. This will be a trip to the famed Will Rogers Memorial at Claremore, Okla., 30 miles from Tulsa. At this shrine lie the bodies of Will Rogers and Mrs. Rogers. The memorial building is a beautiful native stone rambling ranch type of building housing the memoirs of Will Rogers. It is strategically located on Highway 66, and thousands of tourists stop en route from East to West each year to pay tribute to America's Cowboy Humorist.

Following this trip a banquet will be held Monday evening for the National Officers, local alumni and wives, as well as active members and other state alumni. An attendance of between 200 and 250 is expected.

—HERBERT M. LOGAN

## ★ BRIEFS ★

### ALABAMA ALPHA—Alabama Polytechnic Institute

Robert W. Horner, Jr., '42, has joined the Westinghouse Electric Corporation as a member of its graduate student course, following his discharge from the Navy, in which he served two years as engineering officer on a destroyer escort.

John D. McPherson, '35, is in the office of the Central Engineering Department of American Cyanamid Co., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City.

Teackle Wallis Martin, '42, is employed in the engineering department of the Tennessee Eastman Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

**CALIFORNIA ALPHA—University of California**

Dr. Lawrence H. Foster, '36, has resumed private practice of optometry at his offices in the Bank of America Building, San Jose, Calif.

**CALIFORNIA BETA—U. of Southern California**

John K. MacDonald, '39, is sales manager of the Vogue Rubber Company, 1935 Indiana Street, Chicago, Ill.

**COLORADO BETA—Denver University**

Dr. Ward I. Miller, Colorado Beta, superintendent of schools in Eastchester, N.Y., since 1941, has become superintendent of schools in Wilmington, Del.

Dr. Miller was born in Denver, Colo., and served as principal of the high school in Wiley, Colo., and as superintendent of schools in Delta, Colo. He served as superintendent of schools in Fort Collins, Colo., for ten years. Before taking his post in Eastchester, Dr. Miller received his Ph.D. degree in school administration from Teachers College, Columbia University. A booklet, "Throughout the Years," a pictorial story of Eastchester Schools, prepared under Dr. Miller's supervision, received national recognition.

**COLORADO GAMMA—Colorado State**

H. James Kern, '40, is with the Soils Conservation Service in Spur, Tex.

**DELAWARE ALPHA—University of Delaware**

Emery W. Loomis, '14, of Lansdowne, Pa., was elected president today of the University of Delaware Alumni Association for the ensuing year. He is district manager for the Middle Atlantic region of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation of Philadelphia.

**D.C. ALPHA—George Washington University**

Charles C. Chesnut, '32, wartime naval lieutenant, has returned to the practice of law in Miami, Okla. His most recent duty in the service was as legal officer for the Commander Force Service Force, Pacific Fleet, stationed at Pearl Harbor. Before entering the service in December, 1943, he was county attorney of Ottawa County, Okla., a post which he had held since January, 1941.

Logan P. Crossland, '31, is back working for the United States Employment Service in Newark, Ohio, following his discharge from the service and a period of training with the Institute for Crippled and Disabled, New York City.

Thomas J. McCall, '40, recently discharged from the service, will study journalism at Northwestern University in the fall.

**FLORIDA ALPHA—University of Florida**

J. Joseph Carraher, '30, is trust officer for the Bank of America in San Rafael, Calif.



Chaperons . . . Housemother Mrs. W. L. Shafer (left) chats with Prof. and Mrs. David Armbruster at the Iowa Gamma Spring Formal in Iowa City.

**ILLINOIS ALPHA—University of Illinois**

Robert G. Smith, '35, is employed in Bloomington, Ill., by the Retail Credit Company of Atlanta, Ga.

**INDIANA ALPHA—Purdue University**

Alfred E. Markham, Jr., '38, is with the Technicolor Motion Picture Corporation, Hollywood, Calif., having left his position with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Stuart D. Distelhorst, '35, is sales promotion manager for the Cochrane Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa.

Robert U. Sautter, '44, is sales engineer with the Banatam Bearings Division of the Torrington Company, South Bend, Ind.

Robert N. Voigt, '37, is with the Philco Corporation, Philadelphia.

**IOWA BETA—Iowa State**

Clarence G. Behnke, '35, is with the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, Chicago.

**KENTUCKY ALPHA—University of Kentucky**

Wilgus Broffitt, '38, is employed by the Allison division of General Motors in Indianapolis, Ind.

**LOUISIANA ALPHA—Tulane University**

Warren C. Rush, '39, is sales engineer for the Independent Pneumatic Tool Company, Kansas City, Mo.

**MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—Massachusetts State**

David H. Johnson, '39, is insurance inspector for Retail Credit Company, Inc., Hartford, Conn.

**MASSACHUSETTS BETA—Worcester Polytechnic Institute**

Edward T. Jones, '14, is a paper mill engineer with Charles T. Main, Inc., of Boston.

Raymond S. Worth, '23, is production superintendent with John A. Roebbling's Sons, Trenton, N.J.

Frank T. Johnson, '26, is a partner in the firm of Frederick G. Mitten Associates, New York City.

Emerson A. Wiggin, '26, recently discharged from the Navy, has resumed his teaching post in South High School, Worcester.

Clyde T. Smith, '30, is employed in the sales and production departments of Emerson Engineers, New York City.

Henry H. Franklin, '34, has opened a law office in Portland, Me., having recently resigned as special FBI agent in which capacity he had served since 1941.

Raymond W. Schuh, '37, is engaged in a plant building project for the Mallinckrodt Chemical Company, St. Louis, as assistant construction superintendent.

J. Randolph Buck, '38, is with the Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation, Newark, N.J., as radio development engineer.

Gleason W. Jewett, '39, secretary-treasurer of the Worcester County Alumni Association of his alma mater, is an engineer with the Wyman-Gordon Company, Worcester.

Norman A. Packard, '39, is employed by Western Electric Company, Kearney, N.J.

Benjamin A. Lambert, '40, is a synthetic rubber chemist employed by DuPont de Nemours & Co. in Louisville, Ky.

E. Curtis Ambler, '42, is employed by Landers, Frary & Clark, New Britain, Conn.

Frank Aspin, '42, is a sales engineer with S. Morgan Smith Company, York, Pa.

W. Robert Lotz, '42, until recently his chapter's alumni adviser and assistant alumni treasurer, has resigned from his position as researcher for the Army Quartermaster Corps on the campus, and joined A. F. Gallum & Sons, Inc., leather tanning firm, Milwaukee, Wis.

Harold A. Krieger, '44, is an instructor in mechanical engineering at his alma mater.

Edwin S. Johanson, '45, is an "atomic" researcher employed by the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Frank E. Mueller, '46, is employed by the Raytheon Company, Waltham, Mass., as a magnetron tester.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA—University of Missouri

Paul G. Koontz, '18, a former national president of the Fraternity, longtime councilman of the city of Kansas City, Mo., is partner of a new law firm formed in that city under the name of Kemp, Koontz, Clagett & Norquist, with offices in the Insurance Exchange Building.

Will S. Denham has returned to Jefferson City as head of the employment service in Missouri, the state office of the United States Employment Service announced last February.

Formerly director of Missouri Employment Service when the job-finding agency was under state

control, Denham left shortly after all state employment agencies were taken over by the federal government in 1942. During the war, he served as area director for the War Manpower Commission in Kansas City.

Jack H. Blair, III, '38, is working for the *New York Daily News* and lives in Woodbridge, N.J.

John M. McEnerney, '29, is with the Portland Cement Association, 816 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

#### MONTANA ALPHA—Montana University

Walton H. Petsch, '35, has resumed the general construction business with offices and warehouse in his own building on Mallon Avenue, Spokane, Wash.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA—Dartmouth College

Frederick A. Tilton, '28, has resumed law practice in Laconia, N.H., following discharge from the service.

#### NEW JERSEY ALPHA—Stevens Institute of Technology

Frederick Wierk, '23, is chief engineer of Merritt-Chapman & Scott, prominent marine engineers and constructors, in New York City.

New Jersey Alpha alumni in the Western Union Telegraph Company include Robert F. Dirkes, '20, Clement H. Wyss, Jr., '20, and Robert J. Steeneck, '26.

Elmer S. Tuthill, '23, conducts his own office as Architect and Engineer at 43 Maple Street, Summit, N.J., following three years of war work with Curtiss Propeller, Caldwell. He holds the M.E. degree from Stevens, plus the B. Arch from Columbia in 1935.

Stanley G. Tresouthick, '19, is sales supervisor of Fuel Oil and Oil Burners at the Newark, N.J., office of Standard Oil Company of N.J.

Alvin M. Stock, '22, presides over Alvin M. Stock, Inc., Industrial Process Engineers, New York City. He is also vice-president of the Partlow Corporation; factory representative for F. J. Fieser Company in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; and a member of the executive committee of the Alumni Association of the Stevens Institute of Technology. As chairman of the 1946 Stevens Alumni Day, "Al" made everybody sit up and take notice, with an all-day program including luncheons, dinners, a Carnival on the Upper Athletic Field, athletic events, and to top off the day a giant fireworks display and dance in the evening.

Henry J. Steeneck, '21, is Connecticut State Agent for the Home Insurance Company, New York, with offices in Hartford.

Thomas Steel, '20, is secretary-treasurer of R. Steel & Sons Inc., in Long Island City, forge and machine works; and continues his activity in supervisory and fund-raising work for the Boy Scouts and the Y.M.C.A.

William B. Spooner, 3rd, '43, has joined the

sales staff of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, 40 Wall Street, New York City.

Henry W. Spitzhoff, '29, is a firm member of Robert Heller & Associates, Inc., Cleveland management engineers.

Howard P. Smith, '12, is director of research for Joseph Dixon Crucible Company, Jersey City, and Charles R. Nichols, Jr., '29, is director of engineering with the same company. Nichols was recently re-elected to the executive committee of the Stevens Alumni Association for a one-year term.

Ernest J. Rossi, '39, is production manager for Condenser Service, not far from the Stevens campus in Hoboken.

John P. Podolsky, '39, is a design engineer with Westinghouse Electric, South Philadelphia.

Wilbur F. Osler, Jr., '14, is vice-president of the Cornish Wire Company, at the New York office.

Sig Ep Alumni on the Stevens Tech Faculty include Professor Arthur J. Weston, '04, Assistant Professors Kenneth J. Moser, '28, and Mathew H. Bilyk, '36, and George P. Rettig, '30.

B. Harry Gominger, '45, is an industrial engineer with the Philadelphia Gas Works Company.

William L. Martin, Jr., '45, is a salesman representing Donald W. Willett, Realtor, in the Oranges, N.J.

Alvin H. Johnson, '21, is president of Alvin H. Johnson & Co., Inc., New York, consulting engineers specializing in pulp and paper mills.

Francis H. Lewis, '25, is with the management engineering firm of Stevenson, Jordan & Harrison in Chicago.

Alfred Heller, '10, is president of the Alfred Heller Heat Treating Corporation in New York City.

Richard J. Goldrick, '38, and Richard H. Dischinger, '34, are design engineers with Gibbs & Cox, New York.

Lt. Clifford J. Fuller, U.S.N.R., '43, was chief engineer of a destroyer, became a patient at St. Albans Naval Hospital this spring for removal of shrapnel, is reported recovered.

Milton P. Franklin, '43, has returned to his Hollywood, Calif., home after eight months duty at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan.

Griffin H. Foley, Jr., '45, has joined the staff of the Commercial Investment Trust, New York, following discharge from the Army.

Fred N. Esher, '27, is inventions research engineer for Sperry Gyroscope Company, Garden City, N.Y.

Carmine DiPietro, '39, is with General Electric in Lynn, Mass., as a supervisor of planning and wage rates.

Edward F. Cross, '29, is instructor of mechanical drafting at Manhattan H.S. of Aviation Trades, following his recovery from an extended illness.

William M. Carter, Jr., '47, is a salesman for C. M. Woodward Electric Company, in Richmond, Va.

Maurice M. Carriere, '38, is a product engineer on detector cars for Sperry Products, Inc., in Hoboken.

Peter R. deBruyn, '34, is field installation engineer for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford, Conn.

George M. Brundige, '32, is maintenance engineer for American Machine & Foundry Company, Brooklyn, N.Y.

John A. Boyajean, Jr., '38, is engineering for Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp.

Walter H. Berthold, Sr., '18, is member of technical staff, Bell Telephone Laboratories. Walter, Jr., will enter college this fall.

Alfred J. Barchi, '43, has joined the engineering staff of the Farrand Optical Company, The Bronx, N.Y.

Pvt. Joseph Ayton, '42, may be reached at: 4000th A.A.F. B.U., Squadron S, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. He joined the Army early in 1946, following his essential work as a product engineer on VT radio-proximity fuses.

A. Harold Peters, '21, is in the real estate brokerage business in Manhasset, Long Island, N.Y.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA—Syracuse University

Burr N. Prentice, '12, is in the Department of Forestry and Conservation in the Agricultural Experiment Station of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

Stanley A. Evans, '36, is assistant manager of the Evans Dairy, Syracuse, N.Y.

#### NEW YORK BETA—Cornell University

Charles K. Nichols, '26, is with the Expanded Metal Engineering Company, New York City.

#### NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA—Duke University

James M. Oliver, '25, is on the staff of the *Daily Banner*, Greencastle, Ind., Putnam County's only daily newspaper.

#### NORTH CAROLINA EPSILON—Davidson College

John B. Pridgen, Jr., '40, is an insurance councillor with the Veterans Administration, in Valdosta, Ga.

Robert L. Orr, '35, owns and operates the J. M. Eddins Insurance Agency in Byhalia, Miss.

#### OHIO EPSILON—Ohio Wesleyan University

Merrill Hoyt Robertson, '15, a charter member of the chapter, and Mrs. Robertson and their 13-year-old son were guests at the chapter house June 29, at which time the class of '21 was holding its twenty-fifth anniversary reunion.

Others of this chapter who attended the reunion were Rev. Elmore Brown, Lowell, Mass., Rev. Arlie Krussell, Milwaukee, Dr. Harold King, a physician in a veteran's hospital in Hampton, Va., Harold Davenport and Joyce Canright of Delaware.



Merrill Robertson, Ohio Epsilon charter member, who returned to recent reunion in Delaware, Ohio.

#### OREGON ALPHA—Oregon State College

Charles A. Taylor, recently released naval lieutenant, is associated with the Los Angeles-Payton, Dunn & Bare agency of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston. Awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses and six Air Medals, he became interested in the life insurance business as a career while serving as an insurance officer in the Navy. He will work in the Long Beach, Calif., area.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA—U. of Pennsylvania

Charles E. Wiegner, Jr., '37, is a public accountant on the staff of Charles S. Bockey & Company, Philadelphia.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON—Lehigh University

Arthur C. Palmer, '25, is assistant engineer with the Reading Company, Reading, Pa.

Arthur J. White, '43, is a development engineer with the American Can Company, and lives in Hempstead, Long Island, N.Y.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA—Penn State

Harry L. Oyler, '41, is head of the Chambersburg, Pa., office of the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., having spent five weeks at the organization's home office school for life, accident and group insurance agents before opening his own agency in Chambersburg. Recently released from the Navy, he had been assigned to amphibious duty, seeing action in the Mediterranean and Pacific theaters and serving as executive officer aboard an LST when released. He wore the American theater ribbon, Pacific theater ribbon with a battle star for the Okinawa campaign, Philippine Liberation ribbon, European theater ribbon with battle star for invasion of Southern France, and Victory Medal.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA—Carnegie Institute

Albert C. Minetti, '25, is in the United States Engineer's office of the War Department, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

William J. Burns, '33, is with the field office of Mathieson Alkali Works, Inc., Saltville, Va.

#### PENNSYLVANIA MU—Temple University

Joseph M. Becker, '44, is in the advertising and sales promotion department of the General Electric Company, Philadelphia.

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA—University of Tennessee

Fonnie B. Ladd, '30, is with Business Publishers International Corporation, New York City, as manager of overseas circulation.

#### UTAH ALPHA—Utah State College

Doyle Rees, '32, has returned from Washington, D.C., to Salt Lake City where he will serve as Utah's readjustment allowance agent for the Veterans' Administration, with offices in the Continental Bank Building. He will act as final appellate authority for veterans receiving readjustment allowances.

Maj. LeRoy C. Land, '40, recently with the War Department General Staff in Washington, working with the New Developments Division, has been assigned to attend school at Pasadena, Calif., to receive instruction for at least two years on "Guided Missiles."

Samuel W. Merrill, '42, is fortunate to have escaped death in June when the plane he was flying struck a high tension wire and crashed at the mouth of Smithfield Canyon, near Logan, Utah. Sam suffered a spinal fracture, shoulder fracture and multiple lacerations of the head in the crash, and is still at the Budge Hospital in Logan.

John F. Crockett, '42, is attending the University of Oregon, at Corvallis, having returned from Germany during the summer. The Sig Eps on the Oregon campus are really first-rate, he reports.

Karl E. Ward, '40, who returned to civilian status February 1, 1946, after having served with the U. S. Navy for more than three and one-half years, is situated in Billings, Mont., as irrigation economist. Enlisted in the Naval Reserve for training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center in 1942, he received his charge as ensign in December, 1942, and was assigned to the Destroyer *U.S.S. Boyd*, where he remained until March 8, 1944. On April 1, he entered the Sub School at New London, Conn., trained for three months, and was assigned to the *U.S.S. Tilefish* on August 23, 1944, remaining until his discharge.

#### VERMONT ALPHA—Norwich University

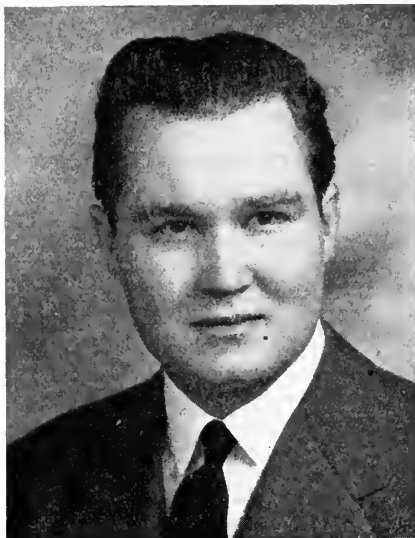
William W. Magnus, '41, is a chemist for the Eastern Magnesia Talc Company, Johnson, Vt.

#### VIRGINIA DELTA—College of William and Mary

D. E. Denton, '25, is coach of basketball at the John Marshall High School, Richmond, Va.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA—State College of Washington

Don Cory, '43, is assistant manager of the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco.



Karl E. Ward, Utah Alpha, irrigation economist.

#### WASHINGTON BETA—University of Washington

Ronald S. Green, '39, is a Ford dealer in Bothell, Wash.

#### WEST VIRGINIA BETA—U. of West Virginia

Stanley O. D'Orazio, '39, is an attorney in Grantsville, W.Va.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA—Lawrence College

O. B. Strossenreuther, '27, Shawano, was recently reappointed district attorney of Shawano County, having resigned in December, 1942, to enter the armed services.

George Schlagenhauf, '28, is athletic director and football and basketball coach at River Falls State Teachers College. Coach at St. Croix Falls for fourteen years where he had several conference championships, he was basketball coach at Madison East high school during the past two years. He is a member of the state-wide physical education curriculum committee.

Everett Roudebush, '29, recently concluded a tour with Earl Wrightson, baritone, as piano accompanist. Their tour included appearances in Indiana, Illinois, and other midwestern states.

Edwin N. West, '32, released from active duty by the Navy department last fall has resumed his law practice with the firm of Benton, Bosser, Becker, and Parnell at Appleton. He entered the service in May, 1941, and held the rank of lieutenant commander on his discharge. He is the new alumni treasurer of Wisconsin Alpha.

Russell Denyes, '32, is research chemist for the Tubize Rayon Corporation, Rome, Ga.

Rev. Robert J. Smith, '17, is pastor of McFarlin Methodist Church, Norman, Okla., where he assisted the local Sig Ep alumni with the launching of a chapter at the University of Oklahoma.

## ★ VITAL DATA ★

### Married

*"Humble wedlock is far better than proud virginity."*—SAINT AUGUSTINE

James Howard Myers, Alabama Beta '46, and Edna Adams Holcomb, on June 15, 1946, at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Leon Graves, Alabama Beta, senior commerce student at the University of Alabama, and Betty Burkhalter of Gordo, Ala., on February 28, 1946.

John Clayton Nichols, Alabama Beta, and Mary Elizabeth Carraway, Alabama Alpha Phi, during March, 1946, at Gadsden, Ala.

John Franklin Sparks, Jr., Alabama Beta, senior commerce student at the University of Alabama, and Sarah Virginia Scott, graduate student at Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill., on September 4, 1945.

Harry Van Horsten, Alabama Beta, to Gladysce Hodson of Waterbury, Conn., on February 8, 1945.

Mark Winfield Moss, California Alpha, '46, and Geneva Edith Hayes, on May 29, 1946, at Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.

Raymond Ingle, California Beta, '42, and Pat Du Par, Delta Delta Delta, at Saint Alban's Episcopal Church, Westwood, Calif., July 14, 1946.

Gordon Gray, California Beta, '44, and Miriam Franz, Alpha Delta Pi, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, Calif., June 29, 1946.

William Camm, California Beta, '44, and Jean Crider, Delta Gamma, at Congregational Church of the Messiah, Los Angeles, Calif., June 14, 1946.

Benjamin Arnold, California Beta, '45, and Pat Summerton, Alpha Delta Pi, at a private ceremony in Los Angeles, Calif., April, 1946.

Donald Orange, Colorado Beta, and Lorraine Stokes, University of Denver Gamma Phi, on April 24, 1946.

Kenneth Pool, Colorado Delta, and Ernid Shaw, on April 19, 1946, in the chapel of Central Christian Church, in Denver, Colo.

1st Lt. Thomas J. McCall, D.C., Alpha, '40, and Tilly M. Kopecky, of Austin, Tex., on June 16, 1945, in Austin.

Morton H. Parks, Florida Alpha, of Orlando, Fla., and Jeanette Garner of the same city, on June 3, 1946, at Orlando.

James D. Hendrix, Jr., Florida Alpha, of Orlando, and Georgiana Clark, of Jacksonville, on August 25, 1946, in Jacksonville.

Henry F. Schwalbe, Georgia Alpha, and Lillian Samples, in May, 1945, in the parsonage of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Savannah, Ga.

Harry C. Butcher, Iowa Beta, '24, wartime naval aide to General Eisenhower and author of *My Three Years with Eisenhower*, and Mary Margaret Ford, onetime Red Cross worker whom the groom met at the German surrender in Rheims; in Bryn Mawr, Pa., May 7, 1946; he for the second time, she for the first.

Clifford Dartt, Iowa Gamma, and Lillian Bachelor, on April 28, 1946, in Oneonta, N.Y.

George McNeal, Iowa Gamma, and Colleen Bedell, on June 5, 1946, at the first Methodist Church, at Iowa City, Iowa.

Charles Kelly, Kentucky Alpha, '39, and Dorothy Prevost, on March 30, 1946, in Baltimore, Md.

Hal W. Maynor, Jr., Kentucky Alpha, and Margie Baker, former University of Kentucky co-ed, in March, 1946, in Lexington, Ky.

William Sisco, Kentucky Alpha, '42, and Mary Wathen, former Nazareth College co-ed, on June 15, 1946, in Louisville, Ky.

James Wyatt, Kentucky Alpha, and Barbara Christman, on August 31, 1946, in Ithaca, N.Y.

Harry T. Anderson, Jr., Massachusetts Beta, '36, and Bonnie May Yuill, on May 18, 1946, at Lafayette, Calif.

Henry C. Dearborn, Massachusetts Beta, '37, and Elinor V. Gilson, of Summit, N.J., a graduate of Vassar College, on December 15, 1945.

Harold L. Crane, Massachusetts Beta, '42, and Louise B. Cox of Smithfield, Va., a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, on April 7.

George E. Hyde, Massachusetts Beta, '44, and Margaret Estelle Calloway, at Maryville, Tenn., on June 22, 1946.

Ens. Walter P. Matzelevich, Massachusetts Beta, '45, and Ens. Louise Dodd Schuri, WAVES, at Clintonville, Wis., on March 17, 1946.

Albert J. Kirschbaum, Massachusetts Beta, '46, and Martha Elteen Krythe of Berkeley, Calif., on October 5, 1945.

James D. MacDonald, Michigan Alpha, '48, and Angie Maureen Fallis, on June 28, 1946, in Metropolitan Methodist Church, Detroit, Mich.

William Ludwig, Michigan Alpha, '46, and Dorothy Castricum, on June 29, 1946, in Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, Mich.

David W. Wilkins, Mississippi Beta, '43, and Catherine Kerby, of Memphis, Tenn., daughter of Percy E. Kerby, Tennessee Alpha, '19; in June, 1946.

Ens. Loren Roland Bevan, Nebraska Alpha, '47, and Ada Beth Howell, on June 8, 1946, in Denver.

Lt. Lawrence Mayland, New York Gamma, '40, instructor of Chinese transport pilots, at Bergstrom Field, Austin, Tex., and Elizabeth Gleason, on September 22, 1946, at Austin.

Walter S. White, New York Gamma, '48, and Anne Marie Belyea of Potsdam, N.Y., on May 11, in New York City.

Nicholas Scanniello, New York Gamma, and Helen Marshall, on May 22, in The Bronx, N.Y.

W. Thomas Ashley, New York Gamma, '46, and Vera Grusha, of Brooklyn, N.Y., on September 14, in New York City.

Gilbert H. Avery, Jr., New York Delta, onetime president of his chapter, and Lt. Esther Jean Lindsay, U. S. Army Nurse Corps, on June 1, 1946 at Fitchburg, Mass.

Edward Kolb, New York Delta, onetime presi-



Jim Hendrix and Georgiana Clark, while she was his fiancée, during Spring Frolics weekend at the University of Florida. See Marriage columns.

dent of his chapter, and Mary Ellen Rathbun on June 1, 1946, at Hoosick Falls, N.Y.

Corp. Wilmarth J. Tuthill, New York Delta, and Anne Marie Rudis, on May 4, 1946, at Atlantic City, N.J.

John Franklin Bonner, Jr., New York Delta, and Geraldine Alice Catherine Walsh, on April 22, 1946, at Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester, N.Y.

August H. Honeck, Ohio Gamma, '40, wartime first lieutenant in the Air Corps, and Betty Ritz, Northwestern University Alpha Omicron Pi, on March 2, 1946.

James E. Robinson, Ohio Gamma, to Carolyn Jean Hoar, on June 9, in Columbus, Ohio.

James Sweeting, Ohio Gamma, to Marian Louise Boyer, on June 8, in Columbus, Ohio.

David Cutsforth, Oregon Alpha, '43, and Ruth Nisson, Oregon State Pi Phi, on June 4, 1946, in Albany, Ore.

Field Secretary Ray McCron, Pennsylvania Delta, '42, and Corinne Mathews, onetime Ohio Wesleyan Kappa Kappa Gamma, on June 30, 1946, in the Garden City Cathedral, Garden City, Long Island; with Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., Pennsylvania Delta, '39, as best man.

Robert W. Johnson, Pennsylvania Mu, '46, of Olean, N.Y., and Virginia Ruth Millward, Beaver College, '43, of Leckrone, Pa., on September 20, 1944, in the Asbury Methodist Church, Uniontown, Pa.

Robert L. Taylor, Pennsylvania Mu, '42, and Elizabeth Jane Robbins, graduate of Limestone College, in the Army Chapel at Camp Kilmer, N.J.; date unreported.

William E. Roan, Pennsylvania Mu, '42, comptroller of his chapter in 1941, and Marianna F.



Fitzpatrick, on May 11, 1946, in the Holy Child Roman Catholic Church, Philadelphia.

Charles R. Mulloy, Jr., Pennsylvania Mu, '42, secretary of his chapter and assistant football manager at Temple in his senior year; on April 6, 1946, in the Trinity Episcopal Church, Morristown, N.J.

Arthur L. Smaller, Texas Alpha, '43, and Ruth Evelyn Britton, on March 18, 1946, at Marshall, Tex.

Lt. John Rodney Moore, Utah Alpha, '41, and Shirley Poulton, of Ogden, Utah, once "Queen of the University" titleholder; during May, 1946.

William Young Roper, Jr., Virginia Alpha, '42, and Grace Wallace Folks, on May 21, 1946, in the Monument Methodist Church, Richmond, Va.; he for the first time, she for the second.

George Kenneth Miller, Virginia Alpha, '42, and Mary Lilly Owen, on June 22, 1946, in the Barton Heights Methodist Church, Richmond, Va.

William Henry Jones, Jr., Virginia Alpha, and Effie Chastain Froffitt, on June 26, 1946, in the Cannon Memorial Chapel, University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.

William Fernley Kayhoe, Virginia Alpha, '40, onetime major in the Army Air Corps, and Mary Vance Pearsall, on May 17, 1946, in the Cannon Memorial Chapel, University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.

Elmer Lawson Cook, Virginia Eta, '36, and Lydia C. Crumbacker, of Baltimore, Md., on May 10, 1945, in Frederick, Md.

John S. Tennant, Virginia Eta, '44, and Margaret Kennan, on August 10, 1946, in the University of Virginia Chapel at Charlottesville, Va.

Harry G. Walker, Virginia Eta, '46, and Margaret Stanfield, on June 15, 1946, in the University Chapel at Charlottesville, Va.

Robert W. Paterson, Virginia Eta, '43, Vice-Consul at the American Embassy in Rio de Janeiro, and Jean Neff, on September 21, 1946 at Abingdon, Va.

John Howard Gordon, Virginia Eta, '41, and Nell Pritchett on August 10, 1946, at Petersburg, Va.

Kenneth Ford Bevan, Virginia Eta, '44, and Carolyn Schwartz, on August 10, 1946, at West Pittston, Pa.

Ens. Robert Leaf, Wisconsin Alpha, '46, algebra and photography instructor at the Navy Pacific University, Pearl Harbor, and Jolie Douglass, on December 9, 1946, at Washington, D.C.

Donald J. Johnson, Wisconsin Alpha, '43, and Mary Lenore Younglove, Lawrence College Pi Beta Phi, on September 27, 1945, in Berlin, Wis.

## Born

*"Heaven give you many, many merry days."*

—SHAKESPEARE

To Mr. and Mrs. Teackle W. Martin, Alabama Alpha, '42, a son, Teackle Wallis Jr., on March 20, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Laurence L. Andrews, California Alpha, '29, a first son and third child, Laurence L. Jr., on April 9, 1946, at East Orange, N.J.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harper, California Beta, '41, a son Michael S., on December 11, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Craig Hirst, Colorado Beta, a daughter, Mary Allane, on July 28, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. Otis Beach, Kansas Alpha, '37, a daughter, Pamela Jeanne, on All Fools Day, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Welch, Kansas Alpha, '48, a daughter, Marsha Lee, during April, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. John R. Fuller, Kansas Beta, '47, a daughter, on April 18, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. William W. Cooper, Maryland Alpha, '32, a first daughter, second child, Mary Charlotte, on April 7, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Curtis Ambler, Massachusetts Beta, '42, a son, Curtis Palmer, on June 26, 1946, at Newington, Conn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ellis R. Spaulding, Massachusetts Beta, '32, a son, David Edward, on March 16, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Warren R. Burns, Massachusetts Beta, '34, a daughter, Marilyn Avis, on January 15, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. Spencer, Jr., Massachusetts Beta, '34, a daughter, Beth Ann, on March 28, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Murray Robinson, Massachusetts Beta, '35, a daughter, Gail Susan, on September 14, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Schuh, Massachusetts Beta, '37, a daughter, Rosemary, on August 11, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Packard, Massachusetts Beta, '39, a son, Roland Alfred 2nd, on December 1, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Curtis Ambler, Massachusetts Beta, '42, a son, Curtis Palmer, on June 26, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Yereance, Massachusetts Beta, '47, a daughter, Roberta Claudia, on June 29, 1946.



Marsha Lee Welch, born in April, nestles in Mommy's arms, as Gordon Welch, Kansas Alpha, stands by.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Brady, New York Gamma, a daughter, Ann Lynn, on February 15, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thornton, Jr., New York Gamma, a son, Thomas Joseph III, on March 30, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Toomey, New York Delta, a daughter, Margaret Ellen, on June 8, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Graham Cuffe, New York Delta, a son, David Graham, on April 18, 1946.

To Dr. and Mrs. John Parks, New York Delta, a son, Robert Evans, in January, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sibley Harrington, Jr., North Carolina Gamma, '43, a son, their first child, on April 24, 1946, in the Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, Del.

To Lt. and Mrs. Charles Henderson, North Carolina Epsilon, '42, a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, on August 3, 1945.

To Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Hewlett, Jr., Pennsylvania Delta, '23, a son, Joseph Mitchell III, during April, 1946, in Philadelphia.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mogel, Pennsylvania Mu, '32, a son, Arnold, on February 4, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. John A. Welty, Texas Alpha, '39, a daughter, Marilyn Drew, on May 7, 1946, at Austin, Tex.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bruce G. Eberwein, Virginia Eta, '40, a son, Bruce Glasgow Jr., on July 25, 1946, in the Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abner Ireland, Jr., Virginia Eta, '41, a son, Robert Abner III, on June 19, 1946, in Greenville, Miss.

To Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Clifton R. Gruver, Virginia Eta, '43, a daughter, Nancy Lee, on April 28, 1946, at the United States Naval Hospital, Pensacola, Fla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley O. D'Orazio, West Virginia Beta, '39, twins—a son, Gene Stanley, and a daughter, Colleen May—on March 20, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Denyes, Wisconsin Alpha, '32, a daughter, Patricia Ann, on September 29, 1945, in Rome, Ga.

To JOURNAL Editor and Mrs. John Robson, Wisconsin Alpha, '28, a daughter, Joanne Marie, on Sept. 8, 1946, in St. Agnes Hospital, White Plains, N.Y.

## Died

*"And in the night of death  
Hope sees a star  
And listening love can  
Hear the rustle of a wing."*

★2nd Lt. John H. McLean, Iowa Beta; missing in action since February 10, 1945, during mission to Ota, Japan, as flight engineer of a B-29; declared dead February 11, 1946; having enlisted in the service on Armistice Day, 1942, and commissioned at Yale University, February 3, 1944.



★ Gold Star . . . Lt. John H. McLean, Iowa Beta

Christie Fischer, Kansas Alpha, '10 (charter member), on July 17, 1946; of pneumonia.

★Maj. Everett Warren Leach, Massachusetts Beta, '38, U. S. Army Air Corps, while testing jet-propelled plane; Isle of Wight, England, on July 19, 1945.

★Lt. (j.g.) Walter Benjamin Phelps, Massachusetts Beta, '41, U. S. Naval Reserve; missing with submarine *U.S.S. Lagarto*; in the Pacific; June, 1945.

★1st Lt. Donald M. Willkie, New York Delta, of Richmond Hill, N.Y.; killed on October 7, 1944, while piloting his plane over the Solomon Islands; interred on New Georgia Island.

George I. Foster, Pennsylvania Delta, '14, president of Wright Textile Company, Philadelphia wool manufacturers, with whom he had been associated since leaving the Pennsylvania campus, veteran of World War I and member of the Union League Club and Cedarbrook Country Club; on June 24, 1946, at University Hospital, Philadelphia, after a three-month illness.

★Lt. Col. Charles Parrett, Texas Alpha; killed in action over Belgium October 28, 1944.

★2nd Lt. Robert W. Sager, Wisconsin Alpha, '44, onetime student Y.M.C.A. leader, part-time instructor in cornet at the Lawrence College Conservatory of Music; killed in action on November 4, 1944, over Wilhelmshaven, Germany, when his B-29 was shot down; after two years and six months in the service.

## Resigned

Keith Hoopes, Oregon Beta, was not expelled from the chapter, as was stated in the last issue of the JOURNAL. It should have stated that he resigned from the Fraternity.

# ON THE CAMPUS

## Highlights

**A**MONG the foremost topics of current campus news are the new houses that some chapters have been fortunate and wise enough to obtain. Kansas Gamma has purchased a house in Lawrence, while in the East the Stevens Sig Eps also have one.

New Jersey Alpha at Stevens Institute of Technology will have a new chapter house this fall, its first real home since July, 1943. The new house will be located at 530 Hudson Street, Hoboken, N.J., and will be occupied completely on October 15, 1946.

Up at the left you see California Betans Bill Burns and Ray Davis putting into action their plan for reducing the oversupply of pledges while Pledge Bert Lowe, former Air Corp Flying Officer prays for his soul. At bottom, Tennessee Alpha Sig Eps (the most politicking chapter in the Fraternity) demonstrates against political machine with co-ed help.



Terms of the contract for purchase provide for the use of the ground floor by the chapter commencing September 1, for purposes of meeting and storage. The contract was signed on behalf of the Alumni Board by Arthur E. Blirer, '35, president, and William J. Canavan, '44, treasurer, on July 18.

Additional funds for the purchase and furnishing of the new house are being raised by a chapter house fund committee of over forty chapter alumni, with Howard P. Smith, '12, and Walter Steinmann, '21, as honorary co-chairmen.

In other branches of activity, the theme is of the pre-war bustling variety—chapters striving for supremacy in scholarship, with enough manpower to do it; sparkling social events; stories of brilliant individual attainment. . . .

Nebraska Alphans at their May 11 annual alumni banquet had as toastmaster none other than Walter Johnson, attorney general of the state of Nebraska. . . .

Of first mention in athletics is the news that George Barlow of the Temple chapter, whose home is Trenton, N.J., was selected for the All-American Soccer Team.

Jerry Niles, first strong quarterback with the University of Iowa footballers last season, has signed with the New York Giants to play professional football in the fall. . . . New York Delta at Rensselaer has joined the ranks of chapters owning their own houses, with the purchase of the property at 2209 Sixteenth Street, Troy, which they long occupied as renters. . . .

The *Memphis Press-Scimitar* in its editions of April 27 published a feature interview with a University of Tennessee Sig Ep, Richard N. Welch, "the boy from Memphis with the crusading spirit."

Welch leveled a vigorous public protest at student politics at the University, stating that the system by which officers of the All Students Club are elected is not a true expression of the democratic principle. Specifically, he feels that the recent election of the 22 candidates backed by the Independent Representatives Party is a reflection on the policies of U-T's administration officials. Victory in student elections during the past 14 years has rewarded the IRP coalition—and that's too long.

Welch became the guiding spirit in the formation of a Good Government Group, modeled on the Knoxville organization for better civic government. Avowed intention of the new group, according to Welch, was to "clean up campus politics and elect the best possible candidates." . . .

## District Conventions

Further evidence of the wholehearted campus trend toward seriousness is the enthusiastic manner that the District Conventions of the Fraternity have been received.

The District Conventions are perhaps even more an effective device than they have been credited



Good time at Iowa Gamma Spring Formal . . . Betty Malick, Bob Phillips, Bill Funnell, Joy Bates, Howard Falk, Bob Schmidt, Evelyn Casady, Bob Humphrey, Bob Grant, and Buell Hoagland—applaud orchestra.



Bob Yereance plays the piano after Massachusetts Beta formal dance held May 24, at Worcester.

Iowa Beta's Larry Sieck describes Jap fighter attacks to Sites, Phelps, and Dow in study room.





A jovial interval at convention of Iowa chapters. Left to right: President Hayes, District Governor Axthelm, Glenn E. Satterly (Iowa Gamma comptroller), Frost, Robson, and Iowa Alpha president Mark Weston, at Ames.

for. They are training schools for large families of bright brothers whose example will mean much to a world sadly undernourished in men learned in orderly ways of living.

A well-run district convention hall is an eminently respectable classroom. In it the best principles of fraternal living are brought directly into the consciousness of the fraternity man. It enables the boys to perceive within the perspective of their own chapters and their own campuses what procedures are sound and why they are sound. It affords a round table where a wide range of the frankest questions are asked and are just as frankly answered.

These seminars in brotherhood represent a meeting of earnest and competent minds, with the plastic collegian on the one hand, and the seasoned oldtimer with a well-stocked noodle on the other. It is a frank and open interchange, the like of which few classrooms ever see, for it is on a loving-kind "family" basis.

During the spring five of Sigma Phi Epsilon's twenty-one districts were able to hold conventions, Ohio Alpha, Ohio Gamma, Ohio Epsilon, Michigan Alpha, Illinois Alpha, Indiana Alpha, Colorado Alpha, Colorado Beta, Colorado Gamma, Colorado Delta, New Mexico Alpha, Utah Alpha, Wyoming Alpha, California Alpha, California Beta, Iowa Alpha, Iowa Beta, and Iowa Gamma.

## Unification in Iowa

By WARREN HAYES, Iowa Beta President

Sig Eps in Iowa had a real insight into operation of their Fraternity at the District XX Convention held in the Iowa Beta chapter house on April 13 and 14. Attending delegates from Iowa's Alpha, Beta, and Gamma chapters and other visitors considered this first peacetime convention since the war as one of the finest and most impressive demonstrations of a national Fraternity in action.

Under the guidance of District Governor E. E.

Axthelm, discussions and demonstrations rolled along with efficiency. During the two-day session the various chapter administrators got a clearer picture of their own objectives, ideals, and procedures through group analysis and discussion.

As host, Iowa Beta was proud to welcome Iowa Alpha representatives Mark Weston, Dick Cornick, Walt Franz, Norman Riley and Harold Wollenhaupt; and Iowa Gamma representatives Glenn E. Satterly, Carroll Schneider, Don Walter, Ed Grothus and Bob Jones. We were also honored by the attendance of special guests Judge Earle W. Frost, Grand President, and John Robson, editor of the JOURNAL.

Rushing turned up as the first bit of business to be considered by the assemblage in their first meeting on Saturday, April 13. Harold Wallenhaupt and Dick Cornick, Iowa Alpha, put on a nice skit for the meeting depicting the pledging of a high school senior. Most of the discussion centered around the pledging of high school graduates and veterans, the two greatest sources of manpower. It was pretty well agreed that the key to good rushing was wholehearted friendliness, informality and a high-spirit level in the house, and precious little high-pressure rushing.

During the second session held on the afternoon of the same day, chapter structure was brought out as the main theme. The causes and cures of dissension within the ranks were analyzed. Chairman Axthelm mentioned the importance of sound current financing and of the role played by the chapter's executive council. Walt Franz, Iowa Alpha, defined the basis of a good alumni program through participation and co-operation. In outlining a well-rounded social program, Bob Jones of Iowa Gamma discussed the objectives of a fraternity social program and showed how the social functions must be planned with definite forethought. One of the more interesting discussions centered around pledge training. Dick Smith, Iowa Beta, led the pledge training discussion and all three chapters agreed that adjustments were necessary in the training program because of the maturity of veteran pledges.

It was further emphasized that Sig Ep membership entailed participation and interest in subjects of national and local background, good manners and fraternity customs, fraternity administration and responsibility.

Sunday morning found everyone back in place primed for the third meeting led by Iowa Beta's Alumni Treasurer Otto Freese who gave his views on house management. He analyzed the plan on which Iowa Beta operates (essentially the Purdue Plan), and attributes Iowa Beta's sound financial status to adherence to this plan. He also emphasized the need for consistent economies (lights, fuel savings, etc.) to keep current expenses down.

High light of the meeting was the Saturday evening banquet which featured addresses by Judge Frost and Dean Maurice Helser, Dean of the Junior College here at Iowa State. Not one of us had ever heard the subject of fraternities ap-



proached as accurately as these two men did. President Frost started by emphasizing the importance of observing the principles on which our fraternity is based, and went on to stress that Sig Ep principles were a fine foundation for thinking during our entire lives. Dean Helser looked at fraternities from the school administration standpoint. He emphasized the responsibility of each toward the other. A fraternity man himself, he called on his own experience and his long-time association with Iowa State fraternities as a basis for analysis of the keys to a sound, strong chapter, and hit especially the importance of responsible members.

In the evening a model initiation was staged by Iowa Beta. Many Sig Eps will remember the story of a one-time Iowa Beta pledge Ted Simpson, whose loyalty was such that he established "Sardinia Alpha." A right ending to this story of tribute to Sig Ep spirit was written when Ted was initiated during the convention.

Shortly after midnight Saturday participants went on a serenade and wound up singing to each of the nine sororities on the campus. The old-timers taught us young sprouts a thing or two with some new songs and unheard-of versions of the old ones.

The convention exerted a splendid effect on participants. Iowa Beta urged all her men to attend the business sessions. They showed keen interest in the discussions. They had ideas of their own, and didn't hesitate to offer them.

Grand President Frost's and Dean M. D. Helser's after-dinner addresses produced a visible effect on many of the men. Following the banquet several of our pledges came up to men with remarks showing that finally they did realize what our fraternity means to us.

The first pledge meeting following the Conclave found a dissatisfied pledge chapter. They were dissatisfied with themselves, with the active chapter, with rushing, and with the social program. They were none too happy with the pledge training program and they backed up their dissatisfaction with the desire to do something about it. Group spirit was at a level I haven't seen surpassed in

my fraternity experience, and it continued to increase. A large-scale, but cautious rushing program netted thirty new pledges in two months. Sig Ep challenged the local chapter of Phi Delta Theta to a softball game (to be made an annual event) and marched out fifty strong to the game. The sideliners earned their share of the victory by yelling their lungs out. The chapter decided to take the all-college outdoor track championship and turned out with similar strength again to cheer our team on to victory. The social program involved three major parties after the convention, and each time the entire chapter turned out to work.

Iowa Beta's policy has been to avoid pressure in securing co-operation. We wanted our men to contribute their efforts out of a desire to see the chapter progress and the high level of co-operation we finally achieved is indicative of the attitude of our men toward their chapter. A Phi Delta friend of mine recently observed that the impressive thing about our chapter was the almost 100 per cent participation in everything we did.

We have always felt that strength internally was a secret to a good chapter, and we can trace our progress to exactly that. The convention and the reactions it produced in our men enabled us to weld together a high-spirited, unified, progress-conscious chapter.

While we consider the contributions to chapter development made possible by the convention as most important, we don't want to lose sight of the fact that the convention was darned good fun. Friendliness was the keynote. The combined serenade on Saturday night was one of the best times we have ever had in college. The delegates from all three chapters walked in without knowing one another and walked out as true brothers and the best of friends. The net result has been a unification of the Iowa chapters. A week after the meeting we got a letter from Carroll Schneider of Iowa Gamma telling of an Iowa State student he had met and rushed for us here at Iowa Beta, and a recommendation for the man. This is typical of the co-operative interest in all the chapters.

The other districts had better get on the ball.

Around Iowa Beta's massive dining table sit the delegates to the Iowa District Convention. At the left upper corner of the table is Judge Frost, with Dean M. D. Helser at his left, with E. E. Axthelm and Hayes at head. These meetings are "training schools for a large family of bright brothers."





The Rocky Mountain chapters at Roll Call, District Governor William C. Smolenske (center) officiating. Setting: Fort Collins, Colo. Time: April 6 and 7, 1946. See article.

## Seminar in Co-operation

By KENNETH CAMELIN, Colorado Gamma

Delegates from six chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon met at the Colorado Gamma house in Fort Collins on April 6-7, 1946, together with Dr. William C. Smolenske, District Governor; William W. Hindman, Jr. National Grand Secretary, and Raymond McCron, National Field Secretary. This was the first post-war convention of District XV.

Chapters represented were those at Colorado University, Denver University, Colorado A & M College, Colorado School of Mines, Utah A & M College, and Wyoming University.

The meeting opened the morning of April 6 with a welcome speech by Max E. Brown, president, Colorado Gamma. Following this Kenneth Camelin, Colorado Gamma, was appointed secretary of the convention. Roll call was taken followed by instructions by District Governor Smolenske. Dr. Smolenske then introduced Grand Secretary Bill Hindman and Field Secretary Ray McCron.

Papers on the subject "What Qualities Make a Good Officer" were presented by Gus Fleischli, president-elect, Wyoming Alpha; Bruce Heider, president, Colorado Beta; and Robert Bosco, Colorado Delta. A discussion followed these presentations, which brought out the point that a president should be able to do and prove his ability to do any task in the chapter. An interfraternity council representative must know not only his own fraternity, but the other fraternities on the campus.

Hal Edison, president of Utah Alpha, gave a paper on "Active and Alumni Relations," in which it was brought out that the actives and pledges should meet and know all alumni on or near the campus.

Max Brown, president, Colorado Gamma, conducted a discussion on "House Management" in which Colorado Gamma's "Field Day" was explained—a system by which Colorado Gamma does minor repairs and cleaning of the house. A full day is called by the president. All actives and pledges turn out for the day and share in doing

the work that needs to be done. It has proved very efficient in getting the chapter room, hallways, etc., painted and cleaned up.

Don Logan, Colorado Beta, explained a system planned at Denver University by which the fraternities and sororities buy supplies collectively for their serving of meals. This co-operative system is being planned at Colorado A & M College also.

The afternoon session began with papers on "Rushing and Pledging" by Max Brown and Harold Hyer, Utah Alpha. Salient points: (1) Each prospective rushee should be analyzed and treated accordingly. (2) Alumni, actives, and pledges should all be employed in getting new pledges. (3) The rush chairman should be a competent man in so far as he has a job that probably does more than any other in shaping the future of the fraternity. (4) Each chapter should have a special rushing program for veterans to show the advantages of the Fraternity to them.

Roger Judson, vice president, Colorado Delta, presented a paper on "Successful Financing of the Chapter" which brought out these points: (1) The chosen comptroller should be a reliable man. (2) Use all advice of an older board. (3) Preparation and use of a yearly budget. (4) Have an assistant comptroller to take over after the present comptroller.

Ray Easley, Colorado Beta, gave a paper on "What Are the Requisites of a Good Fraternity Man?" Following this the discussion brought out two ideas: The first being the idea of passing constructive criticism on each member of a chapter by the other members so as to improve him. Second, that each chapter should check their members and eliminate any so-called "deadwood."

Jim Meyers, president, Wyoming Alpha, presented a paper on "Fraternity Conduct in Chapter, School and City." This paper outlined the history of fraternities and how they have worked into society. His main point was that each chapter should strive to do away with all silly acts of destruction if fraternity life is to continue through the years.

A banquet was held Saturday night at the Student Union Building of Colorado A & M College. Max Brown was toastmaster.



Jack Clevenger, assistant to the president of the College and also past president of Colorado Gamma Chapter, was the first guest speaker, his subject being "Scholarship—The Fraternity Asset." Herb Heilig, member of the faculty and past Grand Secretary of Sigma Phi Epsilon, spoke on "Leadership—The Fraternity Ideal." Ray McCron, National Traveling Secretary, gave a talk on "The Fraternity," followed by a short message from Dr. William C. Smolenske, Governor of District XV. The last speaker of the evening was Bill Hindman, Grand Secretary, on the subject of "Our Fraternity."

In the morning, April 7, Colorado Alpha Chapter extended an invitation off to be host for the convention next year. The invitation was accepted. The following suggestions were given for topics of discussion at the next Convention: (1) "What to Look for in a Rushee." (2) "How to Eliminate 'Deadwood' in a Fraternity Chapter." (3) "New Ideas on House Management." (4) "Ideas on Hell Week, Hazing, etc." (5) "Importance of Scholarship to the Chapter." (6) "House Mother Chapter Relations." (7) "Traditional Social Events."

Colorado Gamma initiated Danny Ramsey and Les Clark into membership, after which Hindman and Dr. Smolenske gave short closing messages and the decision was made to present a petition to the National Officers to change the N.H.Q. location to the midwest so as to be more centrally located.

The following members attended:

**COLORADO ALPHA:** Paul R. Franke and Everett Lee Kettle.

**COLORADO BETA:** Jack Smolenske, Ray K. Easley, William J. Gallatin, Bruce Heider, William K. Johns, Don L. Logan, Del Wright, Charles D. Pitkin, and William Kraft. Also Pledges Ken Mecham, Paul M. Denes, and Gustave H. Harlstrom (from Sweden).

**COLORADO GAMMA:** Max E. Brown, Joseph M. Johnson, Powell, Lowell K. Halls, Frank Hunt, Jr., Gilbert H. Flechner, Earl W. Mortenson, Steve Bennett, Donald L. Oldemeyer, George H. Whitehead, Stanley N. Wieland, Kenneth Camelin, Ike D. Ramsay, Joe Phelps, Russell Lowe, Jackson Minar, Joseph M. Johnson, George S. Calderwood, Danny Ramsay, Dean Dorothy, Bill Mekins, William Gill, Cedric C. Totten, Bob Heinlein, Lester Clark, Fred Meyers, Frank Bracken, and Harlan Defensions.

**COLORADO DELTA:** Robert Bosco, Jack Phillips, Roger Judson, Harold T. Hoak, Robert Reeder, and Richard C. Barger.

**UTAH ALPHA:** Hal Edison, Gene French, Harold R. Hyer, Max Wadsworth, and Fred Robins.

**WYOMING ALPHA:** James Myers, and Gus Fleischli, Jr.

## Midwestern Fraternity Ideas

By RUSS PRATT, Indiana Alpha

Combined conventions of the IX and X Districts were held in West Lafayette, Ind., on May 25 and 26, representing the Chicago Alumni Chapter, Illinois Alpha, Michigan Alpha, Ohio Gamma, Ohio Epsilon, and Indiana Alpha, with the latter acting as host.

The convention opened in the usual manner, followed by a welcome address by President Edward T. Ronan, Indiana Alpha, instructions from District Governor J. Russell Pratt, and the follow-

ing addresses: "Rushing and Pledging," by Scott Ingersoll, Indiana Alpha and Robert L. Brown, Michigan Alpha; "Requisites of a Good Fraternity Man," by Harold D. Leipold, Ohio Epsilon; "Pledge Training," by Kenneth Johnson, Illinois Alpha, and John Dow, Ohio Gamma.

The following session was featured by discussion on further topics, together with addresses on "Chapter House Management," by Karl H. Kettelhut and Harold J. Bates of the Indiana Alpha alumni board; "The Fraternity and the University," by Prof. D. S. Clark, faculty adviser of Indiana Alpha, who expressed how much the fraternity meant to him, and of whom Russ Pratt says: "Dave has been a great friend and very helpful to Indiana Alpha for many years. He is the 'Old Faithful' that can be always be depended upon." Bill Sandberg, Illinois Alpha, completed Saturday's program by an address on post-war adjustments.

The final session on Sunday morning witnessed a talk on "The Fraternity After Graduation," by John Cisler, Illinois Alpha, '31, president of the Chicago Alumni Chapter. The purpose of his talk was to give alumni chapters a boost.

Others who attended in addition to those mentioned:

**ILLINOIS ALPHA:** Comptroller Gene Smith and Bob Limacher.

**INDIANA ALPHA:** Comptroller Thomas D. Templeton and Secretary Norman W. Snow.

**MICHIGAN ALPHA:** Vice-President Allen Hardenbrook and Comptroller Frank J. Ruck.

**OHIO GAMMA:** Comptroller John Bowers, Senior Marshal David Templeton, and Charles Slauten.

**OHIO EPSILON:** Comptroller Jay F. Lachot and Rush Chairman Robert Gianninni.

**CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER:** Vice-President Aubrey Peters and Robert Pitt.

Invitations for next year's convention were extended by Illinois Alpha and Ohio Epsilon. Participating delegates suggested two conventions for next year instead of one.

On steps of Indiana Alpha chapter house, West Lafayette, during District Convention. Left to right: Karl Kettelhut, Harold Bates, Dave Clark, Gene Smith, Russ Pratt (District Gov.), Bill Sandberg.



Some of the conclusions of the delegates are well worth recording. Here are excerpts:

Post-War Adjustments: "In the next few years of abundant man-power let's justify fraternities. If some actives treat the fraternity as a cat-sleep club put them thru a spot-light session; let each active be a good fraternity man or move out.

"Inform alumni about chapter life; re-activate chapter papers."

Alumni Board Management: "A chapter must continually operate with a balanced budget. Past records should indicate the cost to operate a chapter house. The chapter house mortgage must be amortized over a given period the same as any other rooming establishment or business. When the mortgage has been retired a sinking fund should be established to be used when the chapter house must be replaced. Also a reserve should be built up to be used in sub-normal times such as our recent War years when a chapter just couldn't operate with a balanced budget. A strong alumni board to control chapter finances is essential to continuous chapter prosperity. Chapter personnel changes completely in four years, and the chapter operation is too big a business for a comptroller to manage as a side-line to school work without alumni help."

Scholastics: "All men go to college first for an education. Fraternities can add a definite part to that education, but the chapter house must be conducive to study. Maintain good quiet hours. Keep initiation index requirements above graduation requirements. Keep the chapter index above the university index."

## The California Chapters

By PAUL B. SLATER, California Beta

California Alpha at Berkeley was the host chapter of the convention of District XVIII on May 3 and 4. California Beta, from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, was the other participating chapter.

The convention began with an address of welcome by Fred L. Gibson, president of California Alpha, which was followed by a statement of purposes by District Governor Paul Slater, who introduced Grand Vice-President Robert L. Ryan and Grand Secretary Hindman. The chief address of the Friday morning session was by Dean Brutus Hamilton, dean of men, University of California, on "Scholarship."

The afternoon was featured by an address on active-alumni relations and chapter news-letters by Hugh Slayden, president of the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter. Robert L. Ryan spoke on post-war adjustments and Grand Secretary Hindman addressed the group on internal dissension.

In the concluding session on Saturday morning, the Grand Secretary again addressed the delegates, this time on "Fraternity Ideals." A model initiation was conducted, with a degree team from California Alpha doing the work.

## PAN HELLENICA



Author of the best-selling "The Egg and I" is Betty Bard MacDonald, Alpha Phi.

## Along Fraternity Row

**H**ERE AND THERE WITH OUR GREEK COUSINS: Lambda Chi Alpha has garnered three new chapters in recent months; at Coe College in Iowa, at New Mexico State College, and at Texas College of Mines, bringing the chapter total of this large fraternity, which includes President Harry S. Truman as an initiate, to 114 . . . Phi Gamma Delta has set up an educational foundation "to attract and administer funds for the good works which should characterize the practices of any order founded on fraternal principles"; big names on its trustee board including Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, Rockwell Kent, Donald Richberg, Douglas S. Freeman, and William G. Mennen, the "Newark industrialist" who seems to loom behind the full-page Mennen Skin Bracer ads that the *Phi Gamma Delta* has run in recent years. . . .

Phi Gamma Delta is one of at least three fraternities holding national conventions in Chicago, in 1946, others being Alpha Tau Omega and Phi Kappa Sigma. . . . When the *Palm* of ATO headlines "Mr. and Mrs. Go to Congress," it refers to the national convention of the fraternity in Chicago and not the national law-making body in Washington; the Fijis call theirs an Ekklesia. . . . A recent issue of the *Shield and Diamond* of Pi Kappa Alpha, carries an article titled "It's Still 'All Wright' in Mississippi," punning, of course, on the name of a family whose members are outstanding in the affairs of that state—haven't they ever heard of this guy Bilbo? . . .

The new president of the University of Illinois, George D. Stoddard, is a Sigma Pi . . . Fletcher Bowron, mayor of Los Angeles, is president of Delta Chi's Los Angeles alumni chapter . . . The Ohio State Sammies at their winter formal presented nylon hose as favors . . .

# ★ UNDERGRADUATE BULLETINS ★

## ALABAMA ALPHA—Alabama Polytech

The Society page of the *Birmingham Age-Herald* featured Alabama Alpha's annual Sweetheart Ball in its issue of May 16. The party was held on the 18th, with Ann Vance of Birmingham leading the dance with Clyde Orr, chapter president. Held in the girl's gym at the Institute, members and their dates entered from twin hearts.

—Condensed from news clipping

## ALABAMA BETA—University of Alabama

Our house is owned by the University; it was occupied by Theta Xi before the war, but since they failed to reactivate, we managed to get it temporarily.

At present we have 18 actives and 7 pledges. Four of our actives are pre-war men: Charles Fagg, William Kennedy, James Galloway, and Charles Woodman. We expect to open our kitchen soon, which should aid pledging.

In the intramural program, we are competing in softball, tennis, golf, and volleyball.

Allen Uhlich and Bob Harvey plan our frequent social events.

Paul Fiset and Tom Smith of the House Committee drew up a plan for improving the house; we've redecorated most of the ground floor, and certain conspicuous portions of the second; we plan to paint the porch floor, and the outside trim.

This fall we will have the following actives back: Allen and Robert Uhlich, Dave Williams, James Galloway, Tom Smith, Read Northern, Tom Harvey, Clarence Buford, Bill Kennedy, Del Knering, Charles Woodman, Paul Fiset, John Sparks, Glen Dewel, James H. Bruner, John Sims, Bill Marty, Henry Lewis, Ernest Kromvall, Donald Messer, Harry Van Horsten, Leon Graves, Ralph Rutherford, Bob Snow, Dick Thompson and Walter McSmith of Miss., is now at Alabama Beta. Newly pledged to Alabama Beta are: Warren Thrillkill, Hyrom Mock, Howard Burk, and James Kennedy.

The summer quarter kept the Sig Eps busy playing in intramural sports, watching the famous "Crimson Tide" work out, along with our stimulated social program, kept the boys busy during the hot days at Bama.

Much credit for the smooth operation of Alabama Beta during the fall and summer quarters should go to President Allen Uhlich; vice-president Read Northern, Comptroller James H. Bruner, House manager Clarence Buford, Pledge Master Tom Smith, Historian Charles Woodman, and Secretary Paul Fiset.

There is an Alumni Association of which W. Hamilton Thomas, Dr. Ralph Clements, Dr. W. F. Englebert, James Faircloth, and Don Thompson are among the members. The chapter as a whole is very grateful to Brother Thomas, District Governor, for his unending interest and support.



AT ALABAMA . . . Front row, left to right: Pledge Master Tom Smith, Bob Snow, Ralph Rutherford, James Galloway, Leon Graves, Vice-President Read Northern. Standing: Charles Fagg, Bill Kennedy, President Allen Uhlich, John Sims, and Delwin Knering.

During the quarter we were visited by Maurice Davis, '35, from Pittsburgh who had business in Birmingham, Al Judd, and Peter Sweets.

—CHARLES WOODMAN

## CALIFORNIA ALPHA—University of California

We completed the busy spring semester with the initiation of six men: Wayne Dawson, Stan Kallo, Jack Lounsberry, Robert Randolph, Russell Sayre, and William Soule. The initiation of six pledges in the first week of the fall semester and the return of eight actives from the service will give us manpower totaling about 50 actives and pledges.

While the chapter remained active during the summer session, rushing progressed, especially in the home towns of our members.

The large membership has necessitated the conversion of our large chapter room into a dormitory.

It is likely that the following actives will be separated from the service in time to enroll in mid-September: Dunbar, Dunwoody, Coole, Britain, McDaniels, Soares, and Zeller.

—DONALD MAJOR

## CALIFORNIA BETA—University of Southern California

We have called upon two well-known alumni to help us remodel our chapter home so we may accommodate our 100 returning active members. Neil Deasy, '41, is our architect and Walt Escherich, California Alpha '18, has accepted the job as contractor. The rebuilding program includes a new dining room, an enlarged kitchen, and additional quarters for our 40 resident house men.

Our chapter was near the top of the scholar-

ship lists. We emerged victorious in the campus elections—Trojan Knight President Joe Holt was elected President of the Men's Student Body Association, Phil Burton was re-elected President of the national men's service honorary Blue Key, and Johnny Davis was elected President of the Frosh-Sophomore Honorary Squire organization.

The exclusive Del Mar Hotel was the site of our annual June formal and we are planning on a fall formal at the new Santa Barbara Biltmore Hotel in September. Our summer party schedule has included an informal dance at the Chapman Park Hotel, a beach party at Malibu, and an open-house at Pledge-president Larry Kuhn's home in Leimert Park.

Brother Jimmy Grier's orchestra has just completed a very successful engagement at the famous Casino on Santa Catalina Island while Ray Davis has journeyed to Big Bear at Lake Arrowhead for a summer dance engagement.

Our Mothers' Club had a very successful year and should be the largest club on campus next fall under the leadership of Mmes. Norcop, Goodnow, and Holt.

Many former actives are returning this fall, among those already on hand are Bruce Gerry, Gordon Gray, Mickey Heeger, George Throop, and Ernie Wilson.

We invite all former California Beta men to attend our weekly football banquets to be held each week at the chapter house—this is a tradition of 16 years which was interrupted by the war. It would be appreciated if all alumni would send us a postcard containing their latest address—the active chapter has a large program planned for next fall and we want every alumnus to be on our mailing lists. Included in our fall program is a big Alumni Reunion Dance and a schedule of weekly dinner parties for past initiate classes.

—FRED J. HAFFNER, JR.

#### COLORADO BETA—University of Denver

Though our chapter remained active throughout the war, our house was sold by the Alumni Chapter during the emergency. This, of course is a great handicap. At present we are meeting weekly in the homes of various members of Denver. The mothers' club has generously offered to cook and serve a meal for our evening meeting every other week in one of the members' homes.

We have ten actives, yet despite manpower shortages the intramural football team won three games and finished in fourth place in the fraternity league.

Charles Pitkin was elected Secretary and Membership Chairman of the Canterbury Club for Episcopal students.

Pledges are Frank Bauer, John Bailey, James Messmer, Gustave Karlstrom, Delbert Wright, Ted Miles, and Paul Dennis.

The prospect for next year seems bright as old members are returning. Newly elected officers are: Bruce Heider, president; Donald Logan, vice-president; Charles Pitkin, secretary; Charles Lopez,

historian; William Gallatin, comptroller; Ray Easley Jr., rush and social chairman; and William Heusinkveld, pledgemaster.

—CHARLES D. PITKIN

After struggling throughout the war years we now have 23 actives and 4 pledges. The following actives have returned from the service: Ray Easley, John Fuller, Bill Gallatin, Bruce Heider, Craig Hirst, Ken Horrell, Ken Johns, Don Logan, Charlie Pitkin, Frank Potestio, Jack Smolenske, Art Trace, Bill Valentine, Bill Vandergrift, Ted White, Harold Wolfe, Ned Wolfe, Bob Hodges, Dick Hobson, and Armond Nice.

Actives initiated during Spring and Summer are: Del Wright, Jim Messmer, Gustave Karlstrom and Al Davis. The pledges who will be back in the fall are Paul Denes, Bert Brunning, Ted Miles, and Kenny Meecham.

The annual Spring Formal was held in the Lincoln Room of the Shirley Savoy Hotel on May 10 with the members from both Colorado Alpha and Colorado Beta chapters present. The theme of the dance was the Golden Heart Ball. Decorations were in accordance with the theme; the Golden Heart with Alpha and Beta guards running from a large pin.

During the year the chapter took top scholastic honors among other fraternities and was presented with a trophy for the achievement. We also took second place in the intramural softball tournament and tied for second in the volleyball tournament.

During the summer we canvassed alumni in the Denver area for information to start an alumni news bulletin. Jack Smolenske, chapter historian, is editing the paper.

An extensive rushing program is being planned for fall quarter with the object in mind of pledging quality rather than quantity.

Although we have no house we are planning to build a one-story, court type house that will house about fifteen men. At the present time we are meeting in the homes of the members.

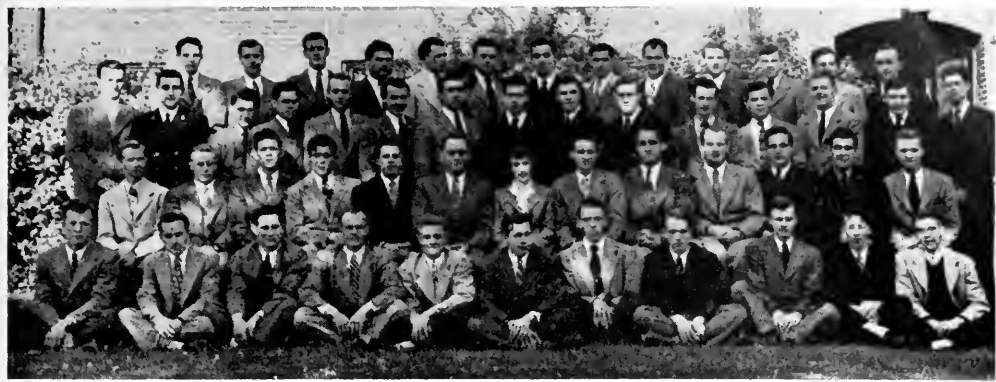
Gustave Karlstrom, a recent initiate, left this summer for Sweden where he plans to attend the University of Stockholm. A naturalized American citizen upon his entry into the Army Air Corps, where he served in the European Theater of Operation, he plans to return to University of Denver in January, 1947, at which time he will resume his studies in journalism.

—JACK SMOLENSKE

#### COLORADO DELTA—Colorado School of Mines

There will be approximately eighteen actives and about nine pledges carried over to be initiated this fall term. Al Trites was our only member to graduate, and accepted a scholarship to Columbia University where he intends to gain his doctorate. After receiving his degree he plans to enter the field of mining geology.

The influx of students presents a serious housing problem for which no real solution has been worked out.



"Iowa Beta as of May," is the caption the Iowa State boys gave this photo.

The question of moving the National Headquarters has been discussed and since numerous chapters have been opened in the western area, we feel that the National Headquarters should be more centralized thus having headquarters in one of the mid-western states.

Among the new officers elected to Colorado Delta last March were: Robert Bosco, president; Warren Johnson, vice-president; Ernest Shirley, secretary; Harold Hoak, house manager; Maurice Seelinger, historian; Tom Jones, senior marshal; Jack Phillips, junior marshal; Bob Reeder, guard.

Warren Johnson was elected sophomore president, John Shoffner assistant business manager of *The Oredigger*, the official publication of the school, and Walt Gray assistant editor of *The Oredigger*. Also Rodger Judson, former vice-president of the house and consistent honor roll student, was initiated into Sigma Gamma, honorary engineering.

Activities were climbing to their old peak with a very outstanding pledge class formal dance at Cherry Hills Country Club early in May. The house was almost completely represented. Among the special guests were Charles R. Patch, treasurer of the alumni board and former Grand President. Other special activities included the publication of the *Stope*, which is published twice yearly and represents a summary of the high lights of the year. It is sent to all alumni and members of this chapter and to all chapters and officers of this fraternity. Walt Gray was editor, Tom Keiser, assistant editor; John Shoffner, business manager. The staff included Jim Jhonstone, Bob Reeder, Jack Phillips, and Pat Holland.

While the whitewash was barely dry on the walls and rafters still protruded from the ceiling, unofficial opening of our new chapter room was held. The celebrities included Bill Hindman and Ray McCron.

We are glad to see so many old Sig Eps back with us after several years in the service; they include: Bill Payne U.S.N.; Bill Shaffer U.S.C.G.; Chuck Young, U.S.N.; Joe Hannum, U.S.A.; Mike Loeb, U.S.N.; Bernard Ferris, U.S.A.; Gor-

den Miner, U.S.A.; Bob Taylor, U.S.A.; Ed. Johnson, U.S.A.; Harold Rogers, and Bob Autrey.

—MAURICE SEELINGER

**FLORIDA ALPHA—University of Florida**

The Florida Alpha house accommodates 40 men which is about half of the members and pledges. Ordinarily this would be entirely sufficient to meet the demand for rooms in the house; however, due to the rapid growth of the chapter, the facilities are inadequate.

We lack a diningroom, and because of this we miss a great deal of the fellowship that is associated with such.

This first session of the summer term we have 25 members on the campus. Next fall our estimate of the actives will be about 60. We held over only 6 pledges from the last term.

Our pledge class for the first summer session: Hoke S. Johnson, Jr., Daytona Beach; William Priest, Del Ray Beach; Hugh A. Hendrix, Orlando; Beville S. Outlaw, Panama City; James Baxley, Lynn Haven; Edmond Flory, Jacksonville; Robert M. Jenkins, Vero Beach; James D. Baker, Jr., Vero Beach; and Willie G. Taylor, Lake Alfred.

Summer officers include Charles H. Pafford, president; Wells Folsom, vice-president; Leonard Winfree, secretary; Charles C. Burton, historian; Raymond Dittmar, senior marshal; and John B. Livingston, junior marshal.

High light of the summer session activities was the Summer Frolics with Jimmie Palmer, well-known band leader, and his band. The chapter is serving a breakfast after each of the dances which will be held in the gym, one of which will be informal and the other semi-formal. On July 27, we staged an all-day swimming party at beautiful Silver Springs.

—CHARLES C. BURTON

**IOWA ALPHA—Iowa Wesleyan College**

Beginning the fall, we shall have our own entire house again, taking our meals there as we did before the war.

Our manpower totals 18 actives and six pledges who will become actives right after the fall term begins. These latter, who were pledged in the spring, are Howard Hanson, Mass; Bill Pettijohn, Ottumwa; Jerry Beavers, Mt. Pleasant; Bud Orman, Ottumwa; Marty Roan, Keokuk; and Ralph Schmidt, Keokuk.

May 5 witnessed the initiation of Jerry Ferris, Ottumwa; Cecil Hamilton, Mt. Pleasant; Chuck Sessions, Mt. Pleasant; Gene Shipley, Ottumwa, and Dudley Weegan, Worcester, Mass.

Social events include the March 17 informal party, the March 30 pledge party, the open-house for Zeta Tau Alpha, new arrival at Wesleyan; ending with our spring formal May 11.

In intramurals, the house won the softball tournament.

—JACK GEARY

#### IOWA BETA—Iowa State University

Iowa Beta's chapter strength now totals 56 men. Pledged since the last report were: Marshall Wolbers, Norman Egli, Skip Ewen, Bill Scull, Bob Wade, Ollie Whitcomb, Dave Bromwell, Joe Erickson, Stan King, Gaylord Edvenson, Bert Sieck, Gene Hulbert, Bob Cutler, Roy Zeidel, Ray Demrick, Ed Brungraber, Stan Moore, Chet Jensen, Bob Bernhardt, Red Lewis, Dick Denny. Initiated into the chapter this quarter were: Jim Foxgrover, Bill Koontz, Bill Norman, Dick Barta, Paul Carlson, Kenny Carlson, Don Roos, Jim Graham, Gordy Pennington, Ross Sherrill, Matt Thompson, Jim Cassidy, Quent Paulson. Graduating seniors include: Gene Phelps, past president of Iowa Beta, Morris Ives, and Hank Ennenbach.

Reservations for fall quarter after a known drop in chapter strength over the summer already exceeds 65. Iowa Beta will reach the saturation point during rush week next fall. From then on it will be a question of replacement.

Iowa Beta will be in full scale operation during the summer, with more than 25 men in the house. Principal emphasis will be placed on readying the house and the chapter for fall.

High light of spring quarter was the District Conclave, with Iowa Beta acting as host chapter to Iowa Gamma and Iowa Alpha. (See report elsewhere.)

During the Conclave the happy ending was written to one of the finest stories of Sig Ep spirit in the fraternity's history. The JOURNAL of November, 1944, told the story of former Iowa Beta pledge Ted Simpson, who, along with three buddies, set up Sardinia Alpha. It was Ted who built a "chapter house" and painted the crest above the door and set bronze letters in the porch. Efforts were made to initiate Ted in Sardinia, without success. Ted is now residing with his wife and child in Omaha, while he attends the University of Omaha. Iowa Beta climaxed his long standing pledgship by an honorary initiation, and was proud to welcome him to the ranks.

Iowa Beta dug up a huge brass key once presented as the "Key to the City of Ames," and

challenged the local chapter of Phi Delta Theta to play a softball game annually for its possession. The challenge was accepted, and the first game of the series played at the close of the intramural softball league. In a hotly contested game, accompanied by lots of sideline boosting, Sig Ep pitchers Gene Phelps and Marshall Wolbers helped the batting lineup take the game 5 to 2.

Iowa Beta's tennis team, consisting of Paul Carlson, Ross Sherrill, John Banks, and John Keane took over the all-college intramural championship, with the doubles team of Carlson and Sherrill going the route without a defeat.

Our track team came through for the second time this quarter, winning the all college outdoor intramural track championship. This same team earlier annexed the indoor championship. Principal pointgetter was Chris Steinback, who took or shared in three firsts. Polevaulter Gene Phelps, hurdler Ronnie Norman, and shot man George Schoel added points to the score.

Graduating senior Gene Phelps, who has been an outstanding all-around athlete at Iowa State in football, basketball, and baseball, served as regular catcher on the Iowa State nine, which placed second in the Big Six this spring.

Activity conscious chapter members have gained a firm foothold in campus administrative positions. Comptroller Bob Axthelm served on the Central Committee for Veishea, Iowa State's big scale open house, was elected president of Men's Glee Club, and was elected to serve on the publication board governing the school's yearbook. New initiate Don Roos has found a home on the staff of the college's daily newspaper. Pledge Joe Erickson was recently elected to Union Board, while pledge Stan King was recently honored as the student in the veterinary division having the highest grades in his class. Vice-president Larry Sieck was nominated to Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity based on activities and scholarship. Also initiated into Tau Beta Pi was Warren Hayes, who, in addition was tapped president of Cardinal Key, major men's honorary on campus, and currently serves as business manager of the college yearbook, the *Bomb*, as vice-president of the student chapter of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, and as a member of Engineer's Council.

Spring quarter at Iowa State tends to put stress on the social side of college life. Sig Ep started out the quarter with a much-talked-about pajama fireside, high-lighted by a persistent sleeper who stayed tucked deep in his sack on the dance floor during most of the evening. The annual barn dance featured a stabled cow of the papier-maché variety, which gave punch over the normal milk route. The climax was the spring formal, "Ball of Roses" held in the chapter house. Attention was principally drawn by the "Four Roses Bar" in the chapter lounge.

Outstanding guest of the quarter was Captain Harry C. Butcher, Iowa Beta, '24, author of the current best-seller *My Three Years With Eisen-*

hower. After a lecture in Memorial Union "Butch" joined with Iowa State's President Charles E. Friley and *Des Moines Register* columnist Harlan Miller at a smoker in the chapter house, regaled the men with stories about how it was back when, and with stories of the Allied war leaders.

Plans are moving ahead on the 30th Anniversary and Victory Homecoming scheduled for next October 25, 26, and 27, as advertised in the May JOURNAL. Arrangements have been made for a stag dinner in Des Moines for October 25. The distribution date of this JOURNAL should see most of Iowa Beta's alums contacted by letter, unless alumni addresses have become fouled. Any of the old gang not previously contacted should write to the chapter for reservations and/or information.

—WARREN HAYES

#### IOWA GAMMA—University of Iowa

SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS: "Kiddie Kapers," an unusual frolic featuring rompers and middies and pig-tails at every turn, was held March 29. The best-costume prizes went to Don Winkler and his guest who were costumed as "pickaninnies," and to Bob Phillips garbed in diapers.

A few exchange dinners found their way into the social calendar, notably the one with Kappa Alpha Theta.

The annual Spring Formal Dance was held at the house on May 4, our two lounges blossoming forth with sky and stars, vines, and flowers. Lois Ann Dunn was selected 1946 Sig Ep Sweetheart and was presented at intermission by President Don McDowell. The chaperons for the evening were Mrs. W. L. Shafer, our housemother, and Prof. and Mrs. David Armbruster, chapter alumni adviser.

ATHLETICS: Noble Jorgensen, at the conclusion of the basketball season, earned the distinction of receiving honorable mention in the Associated Press All-Big Ten selection.

Jack Percival was a member of the varsity baseball squad. Jack Scanlon, discharged from the service, worked out with the football squad during spring training.

In intramural softball Duane Frances handled

the pitching and the Sig Eps team came through.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES: Sig Ep participation in campus activities was well reflected in the 1946 *Hawkeye*. Photographs of Sig Eps were to be found on 38 pages throughout the entire range of undergraduate activities. Chapter President Donald McDowell was elected Chairman of Interfraternity Council in May. Howard Jubenville was chairman of the Commerce College's "Business Careers Conference" held May 3. Conference Committee Chairman on "Industrial Accounting" was Glenn Satterly. Committee Chairman on "Governmental Accounting" was William Funnell. Merrill Baker represented SUI at the Western Conference Debating Tournament at Evanston, Ill. Union Board members were Donald McDowell and Bob MacDonald. Carrol Schneider was elected vice-president of YMCA for the 1946-47 term. In May Donald McDowell was elected an officer of Delta Sigma Pi, international professional commerce fraternity. Associated Students of Engineering officers were Robert MacDonald, vice-president, and Patrick Brown, secretary. The *Transit* board of eight members still includes six Sig Eps: Robert Feller, Otto Eichacker, Robert MacDonald, Edward Stiles, Carrol Schneider, Patrick Brown. Richard Nazette served as president of Gamma Eta Gamma, national professional legal fraternity. Sig Ep officers of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity, were: Carrol Schneider, president; Otto Eichacker, vice-president; and John Bressler, treasurer. Donald Kreymer served as president of the Student Christian Council. Richard Park served as chairman of the interfraternity dance committee.

Fifteen pledges were initiated May 26: Richard Beck, Kalona; Roy D. Carlson, Omaha, Neb.; Lorraine S. Davis, Murray; Howard Falk, Dubuque; Duane Frances, Wenatchee, Wash.; Edward Grothus, Davenport; Robert Humphrey, Sioux City; Paul Koch, Waterloo; Lowell Oesterborg, DeWitt; Dwayne McKinzie, Rock Island, Ill.; Russell Mott, Des Moines; Dale Satterly, Farmington; Cecil Turner, Burlington; Walter Wentz, Ottumwa; Donald Winkler, Iowa City.



Lusty manpower at Iowa Gamma . . . Front row, l. to r.: Don Winkler, Bob Phillips, Bill Funnell, Vice-president Torgerson, Comptroller Glenn Satterly, Housemother Mrs. L. L. Shafer, President Don McDowell, Secretary John Bresler, Dick Park, Bob Grant, Dick Beck, Don Kreymer. Second row: Davis, Hunt, Oesterborg, D. Satterly, Wagner, Humphrey, Walter, Turner, Riemenschneider, Wentz. Third row: Falk, Schmidt, Jones, Percival, Schneider, Grothus, Francies, MacDonald, Carlson, Koch, Eichacker, Wiesner, Hudson. Fourth row: Jorgensen, McKinzie, Niles, Feller, Jubenville, McNeal, Carroll.





Iowa Gamma's Robert Schmidt is tied to post of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority house by members (l. to r.) Wagner, Davis, Carlson, Turner, and McKinzie, who plan to leave him to his fate.

This pre-dawn initiation was followed by an initiation breakfast, at which time the pledge fathers presented identification pins to their former charges. Visiting alumni present were Gerald Buxton, James Hausler, David A. Armbruster, Jr., Frank J. Snider (Iowa Alpha), and Emil G. Trott.

During the latter part of the semester the following new pledges were enrolled: Edward Carroll, William Bloethe, William Wagner, Byron Hunt, and John F. Holm.

**SUMMER SESSION:** The chapter house is functioning only as a University housing unit during the summer months, with Comptroller Glenn Satterly serving as house manager in behalf of the Alumni Board. There are eighteen members in the house this summer, one non-member, and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Linn (Alumnus of Iowa Alpha) occupy the apartment downstairs. Mrs. Linn is serving as housemother during the absence of Mrs. W. L. Shafer, who is spending the summer as hostess at "Old Faithful Lodge," Yellowstone Park.

Numerous necessary repairs and renovations, as approved last spring by the Alumni Board, are being done now. The painting and landscaping is being done by some of the actives and pledges living in the house (Dale Satterly, William



Respite from manual labor at Baker; Poppe and Neal (front) and Welch and Holliday (seated) take time off to rest from their summer work.

Funnell, Bob Humphrey, Noble Jorgensen, Bob Phillips, Ed Carroll, Ed Naramore, James Hausler, and Glenn Satterly) during their spare moments out of the classroom.

In June we found our active ranks depleted by the graduation of Howard Jubenville, Dale Burket, and Robert Grant; and by the departure of Robert Schmidt, Paul Koch, and Jerry Niles; and by the marriage of George McNeal. The house should be more than full in the fall with the anticipated return to school of Alumni James Hausler, Jack Scanlon, Edward Naramore, Donald Lehmkuhl, Robert Sinnett, and Ralph Brown. Also augmenting the roll will be the five pledges presently enrolled and at least five more pending.

—GLENN E. SATTERLY

#### KANSAS ALPHA—Baker University

The house remodeling is nearing completion. Because of the post-war rush to universities, Baker University has already closed down enrollment for next year. As a result, this summer has constituted our main rushing season with the sum result, despite the absence of any pledges held over, of 18 pledges, 7 of which were pledged in one day. We plan to have a total of 15 actives and 21 pledges next year.

We do have some key men on the campus: Fritz Swaney, first president of the Veterans' Organizations and a man that hit all the social functions; Bob Findlay, president of the senior class, member of the BUAA Commission, track coach and a track letterman for the fourth time; Bill Wright, vice-president of the "B" Club, member of the BUAA Commission and vice-president of the chapter; Bill Neal, member of the Student Commission, president of the chapter, and a member of the band. All four were on the chapter softball team.

Scholastically, the chapter did better than it has in years, undoubtedly due to the new attitude of the veterans. Our house index for the last semester was 1.50, which was the highest among the Greeks. Intramural track found the Sig Eps a half point out of first place, losing to a house with twice the number of men and our being handicapped by two accidents. Intramural softball found Kansas Alpha in first place, regaining our prestige.

All of us in summer school put in four and five hours a day on the job of fixing up. The house index, after the first session, didn't reflect any drop in grades because of this work, on the contrary, it went up to almost 2.00 index—again the top on the campus. Aside from the work already described, several rooms here in the house had to be painted along with allied work on the house.

—W. W. HOLLOWAY

#### MARYLAND ALPHA—Johns Hopkins University

Maryland Alpha Chapter has its own house on St. Paul Street in Baltimore. However, the plant at the Hopkins is being expanded so that in

several years all the fraternities will move onto the campus. The Alumni Club has been considering keeping the house after the active chapter moves on campus for use of the alumni.

There are now 40 actives in the chapter. We did hold over one pledge (Mervin Wendt).

Our summer rushing activities were very limited since we had only two members in the summer school.

Dick Bund, chapter president, will return to Johns Hopkins this fall after spending the summer in Canton, Ohio. Gabriel de la Haba will do graduate work this fall if he is not accepted at Medical School.

Dick Powder was stationed at Fort Meade and was able to take a course in German elements at Johns Hopkins in the night school last term.

Bill Thompson is a midshipman at the Naval Academy. He visited the campus after his physical exam before entering the Academy.

—DODD S. CARR

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA—Worcester Polytech

Massachusetts Beta's early rushing efforts resulted in pledging 23 men. Art Rosenquest was in charge. Pledges are: Norman Taylor, Lowell; Willson Applegate, Springfield; Edgar Carpenter, Canton Center, Conn.; Harry Mochon, New London, Conn.; Joseph Skidmore, Springfield; Frederick Humphrey, Canton Center, Conn.; James Kerr, Worcester; Alan Swenson, Shrewsbury; Eric Essen, Arcadia, Calif.; Raymond Alvey, Wellesley Hills; Grant Schleich, Harrison, N.Y.; Albert Carr, Jr., Worcester; Fred Besselièvre, Atascadero, Calif.; Wellen Darison, Longmeadow; Gordon Keller, Worcester; Chester Anderson, Athol; Franklin Lawrence, Bridgeport, Conn.; Walter Allen Jr., Worcester; Orlando Foss, Jr., Melrose; Clifton Nickerson, Worcester; William Jacques, Northboro; Milton Jordon, Ware.

On May 24, a formal dance was given by the college with thirty couples attending from this chapter. The following day a picnic and swimming party was held at a nearby lake. In the evening, the annual Round Robin Dance was held.

Theta Kappa Phi and Sigma Phi Epsilon each gave a house party this spring in honor of the other, the latter under the supervision of Ed Tyler, social chairman.

Along the sport line, Mass. Beta came in third in interfraternity track with Glenn From, '49, winning two races and coming in a close second on three more. Sammet, Dick Marvin, and Propst completed the team. The chapter baseball team was third on the list and, as yet, the softball team is undefeated.

Harry Mochon, Bob Carlson, and Richard Seagrave are on the Tech baseball varsity with Mochon as fielder, Carlson catcher, and Seagrave pitcher.

Tech held an Alumni Reunion Day on June 15 and this chapter welcomed back over 60 members and their families. A buffet supper was served on Saturday evening.

The alumni have presented the house with a 24-volume set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

The present alumni board is composed of Doc Carlton, '08, Len Howell, '10, A. J. Knight, '07, Gleason Jewett, '39, Dick Martin, '20, Ci Hardy, '26, Randy Whitehead, '40, and with Ellsworth Melleor, '44, acting as alumni advisor.

When the present school term began on July 8, 34 actives returned. Of that number, the following were discharged veterans: Art Rosenquest, Francis Bliven, Earl Berggren, Kirby Weathersby, Ken Lyons, Phil Jones, Dan Lewis, Pres Stevens, Dave Anthony, George Strunz, Bill Coulopoulos, Frank Gross, and Harold Melden.

Jack Harvey, Jr., '39, has completed his work for his degree.

Kenneth Merriam, Major USA, has returned to take up his work as head of the Aero Department.

At the beginning of this term, the following officers were elected: president, Dave Wright; vice-president, Fred Marvin; secretary, Pres Stevens; historian, Phil Jones; house manager, Art Rosenquest; librarian, Dave Anthony; senior marshal, Frank Gross; junior marshal, Ben Ricker, and guard, Ken Lyons.

Recent visitors to the house have been Arthur Cade, '15, Helge Johnson, Frank Dodge, Sandy Sanderson, Tex Carson, Rog French, Alan Reidel, Frank Mueller, and Rog Brown, J. P. Hyde, Lloyd Taylor.

Alan Reidel, J. P. Hyde, and George Smith expect to return to Tech in the fall.

—PHILIP B. JONES

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA—University of Michigan

Michigan Alpha has shaken out the reefs taken during the war years and is looking forward to prosperity. House Manager Don Howick is almost gray from working out accommodations for the multitude of returning members, despite the 30-man annex leased at the end of the last semester located across Hill Street from the house.

President Bill Mikulitch, ex P-51 pilot and captain of Michigan's varsity tennis team, "pilots" the



Members of Health and Study Club on Michigan Alpha sun deck; l. to r., President Bill Mikulitch, house manager Don Howick, chief construction engineer Bob Isleib, historian Bob Frick. The back belong to ex-president and ex-major Bob Brown.



CANDID . . . Housemother Pauline Reynolds of the U. of Nebraska Alpha chapter is caught by the camera between Craig Cole (left) and Dwight Clements as they add some artistic touches to the landscape. The chapter possesses its own house.

60-man congregation, assisted by Vice-president "Bud" Hardenbrook, Secretary Ward Brown, and Treasurer Jack Sweeney.

In campus competition, Michigan Alpha teams took first place in the interfraternity basketball league and second in the all-year athletic competition. Under the baton of "Bud" Hardenbrook the glee club won first prize in the interfraternity sing and gave a command performance in Hill Auditorium.

A new carpet was purchased for the living room and the annex leased largely through the efforts of Frank Ruck, house manager and budget balancer extraordinary. Don Lessig and Bob Isleib directed the Sig Ep labor gang in the construction of new concrete steps and a sidewalk for the house. The dances, beer picnics, and hayrides engineered by Social Chairman Jack Olsen were perhaps one of the clearest signs that peace had returned to Michigan Alpha and that fraternity activities once more afforded a wholesome challenge.

—ROBERT FRICK

The house was filled for the summer term, most of its residents gone golf-crazy, and when the brothers weren't out on the links, they were swimming at Whitmore Lake.

Vice-President Bud Hardenbrook was acting president while Jack Krewson served as house manager.

The house has received 75 applications, from 55 actives and 20 pledges, for rooms this fall. We've acquired an annex across the street to accommodate them.

As this is written, carpenters are remodeling the housemother's room on the first floor. An archway has been cut between the old room and the former office, and an extra closet is being built just off this. The appearance of the living-room has been greatly improved by a new maroon-colored rug. The hall and main stairway also sport new rugs, all thanks to the Detroit alumni.

We're expecting Aunt Lee, our former housemother, back within a few days.

—DICK DUGAN

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA—University of Nebraska

The Nebraska Alpha house remained open for the summer because of the large number of members who are enrolled in summer school.

Three actives have been discharged from the service and are attending school again this summer who were not here last semester: Jack Busby (former president), Bill Irwin, and Charley Dickey. We have received letters from several other Sig Eps who will be discharged by next fall and will be back: Al Osborne, James C. Binkerd, Cap Theisen, Dave Portwood, Tad Ward, Kenny Horell, John Golden, Donald F. Jay, Bill Thompson, Bill Mountford, Eddie Lawson, Tom Bauer, Dick Battles, Don Moore, John Fahrlander, Kenny Barta, and Floyd Blanchard.

University rules do not permit pledging until fall, but we are meeting prospects.

In campus activities last term Richard Folda, chapter president, was elected president of the interfraternity council. Ernest Luther, comptroller, was elected to the student council; Dean Skokan was appointed business manager of the *Cornhusker*, the annual, and also elected president of the University Band; Dwight Clements was initiated into Phi Delta Phi, national law; Jim Liggett won a letter for golf; Walter Dorothy was initiated into the Kosmet Klub, men's dramatic; John Adams was initiated into the Corn Cobs, men's pep group.

Don Schneider enlisted in the Navy this summer.

Reviving an old tradition, the annual Alumni Banquet was held May 11 in the Hotel Cornhusker in Lincoln. Walter Johnson, Nebraska State Attorney General, was toastmaster, with sixty alumni and the active chapter attending.

—RICHARD MILLER

#### NEW JERSEY ALPHA—Stevens Institute of Technology

Walter C. Graulich, Jr., and Kenneth E. Smith have returned from service in the U. S. Navy to rejoin the Stevens chapter.

John P. Sweeney has been honored by initiation into the honorary journalistic fraternity, Pi Delta Epsilon. Active in other extracurricular work, he contributes a column, "Sporting Comment," in the weekly newspaper, *The State*, has been president of New Jersey Alpha, secretary of the Newman Club, Athletic Association representative, and honored on the Dean's list each term since entering Stevens.

John H. Oster and Jack Sweeney spent the summer as instructors in civil engineering and surveying at the Stevens Freshman Engineering Camp of over 300 acres at Johnsonburg in Warren County, N.J.

#### NEW JERSEY BETA—Rutgers University

The chapter at Rutgers University was able to avoid the whirlpool which engulfed many of the

fraternities here on the campus during the war years. Thanks to careful planning on the part of several alumni led by Morgan Seiffer\*, New Brunswick attorney, the returning Sig Eps look forward to re-opening the chapter house, which is now the only fraternity located "on the banks of the old Raritan." It missed extinction when the adjacent Phi Gam house burned to the ground during the fall of 1945.

Beta Chapter received its charter on 590 George Street when the Raritan Club, Rutgers' oldest and sole remaining local, voted to "go national" in the spring of 1943. Holding its first initiation on January 15, 1944, Sig Ep officials initiated 20 men, including 11 alumni as charter members.

After reactivating the chapter in March with a nucleus of 6 Raritan men, all veterans, we finished the spring term with 8 new pledges. They include: Dick Boegehold, Bill Carhart, Ira Chase, Chris Cordaro, George Deibert, Walter Early, Bob Lyon, and Dick Sherck.

Quite a few of the Raritan men have sent "communiques" telling us that they expect to become Sig Eps at our early fall initiation. Among those returning from service will be Pete Corio, one of the original 20 men initiated at our charter presentation ceremony held in January, 1944. Others have expressed their desire to get back to the "Banks," but may be delayed a little due to Uncle Sam's desire to cling to them.

This term found us socially inactive due to the lack of the facilities of the chapter house, but next fall we plan to have a grand house re-opening and from then on take a very active part in everything that the campus has to offer. We especially want to re-cement the ties that existed between the woman's campus and the old Raritan Club.

The scholastic standings for the year have not been officially released yet, but through our "grapevine," we understand that the Sig Eps are high on the list.

Rutgers has not yet gone back to its pre-war spring sports schedule, but of those sports reactivated, Beta chapter was represented in track and had two lettermen in lacrosse. We also had representation on the editorial staff of the Yearbook, in the Junior Honorary Society, and the Military Honorary Society, and on the Junior Prom Committee.

Next fall the cheerleading squad will have two Sig Eps: Harry Cyphers, head cheerleader, and Pete Corio assisting him. We also expect Art Gerold to do a fine job in Queens Players, the campus dramatic society, and Harry Cyphers to help put out the first *Scarlet Letter*, campus yearbook, since publication was suspended in 1943.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA—Syracuse University

The summer session at S.U. started off with a Yoicks, tally-ho and a hark for'ard as the S.P.E. (social, political, educational) boys hit the green again after a week or 10 days of lay-over between semesters. Most of the fellows are carrying the full 18 hours to build/fatten up the old averages and



Rutgers Sig Ep house on banks of the Raritan.

so far all hands are doing well in the book demolition department.

Incidental intelligence: We had one pledge get 5 (count 'em) A's and Wayne Severance was one of the 5 students in the Bus Ad college to hit this somewhat spectacular high *sic itur ad astra*.

Our 30 active brothers this summer will have their ranks swelled by something like 16 other actives returning come fall.

An initiation July 21 brought the following new men into the fold: Jack Savage, Edward Hackett, Robert Smith, Richard Van Saun, William Maybee, Theodore Hoople, Tony Chevins, and Wayne Severance. All good joes and strictly eager, we expect heavy things to accrue from their activities in the fall, socially, politically, and educationally (co-ed ditto).

Erratum: The last JOURNAL gave Bill Abbott credit for our *tour de force* at Manlius Military Academy—well, old Bill gave the affair a push and certainly added to the general jollity and *joie de vivre*, but the fact is hosts were Howie Dillingham, Sig Ep headmaster at the school, and his confrère Henry Graham (also a Sig Ep). These chaps furnished the beer, pretzels, sandwiches and the proscenium arch for our little piece and they deserve a lot of credit.

There being no formal rushing this summer (full house anyway) we've decided to hold rushing over till fall-tide. Our pledges have all banded together and will be shacking conjointly in a nearby apartment house.

—ROGER A. BURGOS

#### NEW YORK GAMMA—New York University

"A place to hang our hats" is New York Gamma's slogan. As yet we have no chapter house, however, the alumni board is working on it. For the moment, we have rented three rooms in downtown Manhattan, which will serve as a temporary place in which to hold chapter meetings. *Every active* in the chapter is on the House Committee (or house-hunting committee) until a suitable house or apartment is found.

With the addition of four initiates in June, our actives now number 28. Four actives were lost



Thomas J. Thornton (left) being welcomed back to classes by New York Gamma President, Joseph McCauley.

through graduation and one to the United States Navy. Graduating brothers are: Donald Steward, B.S. in advertising, School of Commerce; Edward Corrigan, journalism; W. Thomas Ashley, commerce (to return for M.S. next year); and Herbert Walsh, School of Education. S/2c Robert E. Hakusa enlisted in the Navy on May 6. The new brothers are: John A. Woolf, Charles Grant, Philip Spina, and Philip Leto. We expect to have 32 actives in September when Sig Ep Vets Thomas Thornton, Nick Scanniello, Richard McNiven, and W. L. Moore return to classes.

The Violet Skull (organization of Christian fraternities on the New York University campus) is holding meetings, during which plans for fall rushing and pledging are being made. This year, a Sig Ep, Gordon Derian, is president of the Violet Skull.

Officers elected for the coming year are: president, Joseph McCauley; vice-president, William H. Schofield; secretary, Harry A. Berchtold; historian, George E. Wolf; guard, Joseph A. Otto; senior marshal, Constantine Nickou; junior marshal, Arnold C. Miller III. Louis George Roscher was appointed comptroller by the alumni board. The chapter president appointed Robert C. Leunig, pledge supervisor; Alfred Ricciardi, Jr., rushing chairman; Arnold C. Miller III, social chairman, and George E. Wolf and Walter N. Colton, house committee. Dr. Gerald E. SeBoyar of the School of Commerce is faculty adviser.

George Trudeau has returned from the Navy and is completing his course in the School of Commerce this summer.

Arnold Miller and Dick Lupke made a two weeks' tour of some of the Sig Ep chapters in the North Atlantic states this summer and expect to tell about their trip in an article in the November JOURNAL.

George R. Freund, '43, is expected home from London in September. He's been over there long enough to cultivate a taste for "that horrible warm English beer."

George E. Wolf, '48, while attending Lehigh University Alumni Reunion on June 21, 22, 23

with his brother, Bob Wolf (Lehigh, '36), visited the Pennsylvania Epsilon house in Bethlehem and got acquainted with some of the men, including Bob Brodt, Steve McElroy, '44, Walt Edwards, '43, Frank Young, '43, Tom Wallace, '42, Herb Elliot, '41, Bill Lehr, '41, Dick Homiller, '40, Jack Kromer, '39, and Bill Nordt. A pleasant evening was spent at the "Chor," a spot dear to the hearts of men at Lehigh.

During the spring semester a robust team was organized to represent the chapter in the interfraternity basketball tournament. Brilliant and sometimes rough playing highlighted the whole series, but we were victorious until the finals—a defeat by one point. Those who played were: Angelo Clemente, Bob Leunig, Lou Roscher, Don Estrup, Don Barry, Gus Nickou, Joe McCauley, Nick Scanniello, Bill Ashley and Phil Leto.

Arnold Miller III, social chairman, announces tentative plans for a New York Gamma formal in the fall. Supporting a Violet Skull program of an informal house dance every other week during the coming year, Sig Ep plans to hold one at least every two months. New York Gamma also plans to play in the bowling tournaments and basketball games with the other Violet Skull fraternities. The season will wind up in the spring with a beach party.

—GEORGE E. WOLF

#### NEW YORK DELTA—Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

The first summer vacation in several years is now in process at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and although most of the Sig Eps are taking advantage of this well-earned rest, six men have returned for the summer term: Harry Beshgetoorian and Peter Saenger and Pledges Mark Folly, Charles Christian, and Bart Fisk. These five men have just recently received their discharges from the armed services. Vice-president Fred Lane is the sixth man.

New York Delta has joined the list of Sig Ep chapters owning their own homes, with the recent purchase of the house at 2209 Sixteenth Street, Troy, which they have occupied for the last several years. The house is at the present undergoing extensive repairs and redecoration. Some new furniture is also being purchased in addition to the new stove which was delivered last term after a long wait. The members certainly appreciate the contributions of the alumni which helped to make this purchase possible. Now a drive is being carried on to raise funds to build a new chapter house.

We were glad to welcome back Mrs. Sheppard, our wonderful cook, shortly before the end of last term after her recent illness. Mrs. Sheppard has been with us for a long time and has become almost a second mother to many of us through the years and her fine meals were sorely missed.

Fall will find the biggest enrollment at Rensselaer in its history and New York Delta also expects more Sig Eps on the R.P.I. campus than

ever before. There are almost twice as many men desiring to live at the house as there is room.

The weekend of May 11 saw the 1946 "soiree" at R.P.I. with music furnished by Ray McKinley and his band.

Rensselaer and Sig Ep both had a very successful spring sports season. Rensselaer's track team won all its meets by large margins to run its undefeated streak to over two years. The lacrosse team had one of the best teams in the country while the newly formed J.V. team lost only to Army. "Red" Cantwell and Dick Plunkett played on the J.V. lacrosse team although Dick had hard luck in receiving a broken leg early in the season which kept him on crutches till end of the season. The fraternity's softball team was tied for first place in its league but we lost 1 to 0 in the playoff despite the wonderful one-hit pitching by our ace, Don Mastro.

Five men became new members in an initiation ceremony May 18: Eugene Koskowski, Stanley Shadowski, John Witmer, William Morris, and Charles Reinhardt, brother of member Art Reinhardt. Art was discharged several days before and was present for his brother's initiation.

William D'Orville Doty, member of the Metallurgy Department at R.P.I., received his Ph.D. on June 23 while William Cantwell received his ensign's commission. Word has been received of the awarding of a M.A. degree in aeronautics to Brother Eugene Wyzpolski by the California Institute of Technology on June 21.

—FREDERICK H. LANE, JR.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BETA—North Carolina State

Our strength is 32 members, most of them with service records.

N. C. Beta topped the Interfraternity Bowling League, winning a beautiful cup. Winning bowlers were Grover Martin, William Rierson, W. J. Dixon, Eugene Bumgardner, Frank Masters, and Hurley King.

July 25 will be remembered as the date of our Summer Hop. This was followed by a swimming party, picnic, and variety show, all under the direction of Ira Davis and William Rierson.

—HURLEY D. KING

#### NORTH CAROLINA EPSILON—Davidson College

Eleven actives attended summer session, and we expect at least 35 members back this fall. By Panhellenic rule, there was no rushing during the summer. Rush week for the fall term begins September 17.

N. C. Epsilon was one of the four fraternities to remain open at Davidson for the entire duration of the war.

Signs of prosperity, other than an increase in membership, are also beginning to show in the chapter. The house has just received a fresh coat of paint, and plans are being made for the purchase of new equipment and furnishings before the opening of the fall term. —CLAUDE ABERNETHY

#### NORTH CAROLINA ZETA—Wake Forest College

Initiated since the last issue JOURNAL have been Bill Atkinson, Leaksville; Howard Forrest, High Point; Jake Pearce, Dunn; Jerry Grimes, Siler City; Dick Mitchell, Henderson; Bob Austin, Wadesboro; Charles Parker, Enfield; Carl Bailey, Plymouth; Bill Early, Raleigh; and L. P. Megginson, Shelby. Out of these ten men, 8 were in the service.

Bill Robbins, from Raleigh, N.C., was recently pledged.

Several old members returned to the chapter house for the summer term: John Yeattes, Greensboro, discharged from the U. S. Coast Guard some time ago, has returned to resume his pre-law studies. Heyward Smith, recently discharged from the U. S. Navy as an ensign, is at Wake Forest taking a refresher course before entry into med school. Bill Wood, Charlotte, N.C., former merchant marine, has returned to school and was recently elected Junior Pan-Hel representative for the fraternity. Bill Watson, Norristown, Pa., in Temple Medical College last term, is at Wake Forest for his B.S. Hubert Gibson, discharged from the U. S. Army recently, has returned. While in service, Hubert saw action as a recon man with General Patton's Third Army in Europe, and received many citations for his outstanding action. Bob Phelps, also recently discharged from the Army, is back at Wake Forest resuming his pre-medical studies. Bob was elected first vice-president in place of Bob Robbins who is not in school this term. Carl Bailey, Plymouth, N.C., not many weeks ago a member of the U. S. Army Air Forces, is now a Sig Ep, having been a pledge before his service days. Bill Early, also a pledge before his entry into the Navy, has returned as a Sig Ep. While in service, Bill was a Pharm. Mate, and is now taking pre-med.

Recent visitors have been John Hardaway and Hooper Wilson, both recently discharged from the U. S. Navy.

Plans are worked out for complete redecoration of the chapter room, with new furniture and rugs ordered.

The annual summer dances sponsored by the Panhellenic Council were held July 12 and 13 at the Virginia Dare Ballroom of the Hotel Sir Walter in Raleigh. Al Millman and his orchestra furnished music. The next dance of this sort will be held in October.

Up until some time ago, the chapter was preparing detailed plans for the building of our home. Considerable progress was being made toward this aim when we received word of the Reynolds offer to the college of an annual endowment and complete facilities for the building of a new Wake Forest College located in Winston-Salem, N.C. As we have received word that this offer is being seriously considered, we have abandoned immediate building plans for this campus, but we still plan to build very soon if the College should decide to move to Winston-Salem. At

present we have two houses; the section of Simmons Dormitory and the old Cardell House. This summer the chapter had around 25 actives, and this number is expected to be doubled. The fraternity is operating the dining hall again this summer, under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Gregory, mother of Jack Gregory.

Dick Mitchell, Henderson, N.C., was recently elected president of the Veterans' Club on the campus.

—PARLEY A. KING, JR.

#### OHIO GAMMA—Ohio State University

With 40 actives and 15 pledges, Ohio Gamma will start the third year back in the chapter house since its release by the Army. The house itself is in fine condition. New sidewalks and a driveway have been constructed, the bathroom has been re-floored and an air-conditioner installed, and many of the study rooms have been painted several times.

New actives since the last report are James R. Kanik, Richard Webster, Halo Hirose, Richard M. Jones, John F. Lipaj, John G. Winters, Richard Waite, Robert Baker, and Donald A. Detmer. New pledges include David C. Ekey, Bill J. Tomhafe, Edward D. Kalefut, William A. Gunn, and Jean J. Ruzek.

Old actives who have returned from the armed service are Cy Lipaj, Dan Baker, Bill Anderson, David Sawyer, David Christman, and Bob Moore. Bob DeVorne, a pledge, has also returned.

We lost two men by graduation last spring. Haskell H. McGriff was a member of Texnikoi and was initiated into Tau Beta Pi before his graduation. Richard I. Hang had served as president of Tau Beta Pi and was made an associate member of Sigma Xi, scientific honor society.

Reviewing the achievements of the year, we find Donald Detmer honored by being elected president of Gamma Delta, national Lutheran fraternity. Robert M. Cutler, Daniel H. Hosler, and John H.

Ramey were made new members of Kappa Kappa Psi, band fraternity. Members of the newly formed vets dance band include Dan Baker, Jack Dow and Robert Cutler. Dow also is head of a 4-piece campus band which plays for informal dances. The band also includes Charles Slauter.

Scholastically, we were proud to have William Gunn, Richard Hang, and Haskell McGriff on the Engineering honor roll, and John C. Young on the honor roll of the Pharmacy College.

The social calendar included many informal parties, the most hilarious of which was the "Atomic Bomb Event." Our spring formal held at the University County Club was attended by about 50 couples. This year, for the first time since the war started, we held our Mothers' Day weekend, which brought 17 mothers to the chapter house for two days. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Perry Craig, president; Mrs. Michael McClory, vice-president; Mrs. Victor Cutler, secretary, and Mrs. Alice Tomhafe, treasurer.

This fall in the field of sports, we welcome the return of Halo Hirose who has been touring Hawaii with other members of the Ohio State swimming team. Halo, among many other victories last year, won the 100-yard free-style to help Ohio State retain the NCAA swimming crown. He has been mentioned by coach Mike Peppe as a possible contestant in the next Olympic games. Teddy Christakos, national AAA low board champion, will be back. David Templeton and Cy Lipaj will be back with the football team. In golf, John Krisko returns for another year with the squad. Last season, he was one of the Buckeye squad's "Big Four."

William Gunn has been elected president of the campus American Society of Chemical Engineers. Bill also is a member of Texnikoi and in his spare time gives flying instructions at Sullivant Field.



Oklahoma A & M Reactivators . . . Separated from the service, the following men, left to right, lost no time in rebuilding the chapter: Front row: Hal Hazelrigg, Al Stone, Pat Pearson, Mrs. J. B. McKinley (housemother), S. M. Hart, Horace Mosely, Frank Bootwell. Second row: Steve Synar, Harry Herzig, Bill Seikel, Leon McDonald, Bob Burns, Jim Wilkerson. Third row: Vic Jones, Bill Fitzstephens, Edmond Synar, and Bob Scott. The chapter assisted at the birth of Okla. Beta and Gamma.



## OHIO EPSILON—Ohio Wesleyan University

Social functions for spring, '46; were climaxed by the highly successful formal dance held at the house June 15, followed by an alumni meeting on June 16.

The superb job of decorating done by the actives, and music by Brother Lou Conrad's campus dance band made this year's Spring Formal surpass any on campus. A large rope-pull dinner bell, which was recently mounted on the front balcony was rung twice during the evening, announcing the pinning of two new pledges, Earl Heiby, and Dick Gensemer (Medina, Ohio). Chaperons were Prof. and Mrs. Harold Sheridan, Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Freeman, Prof. and Mrs. R. S. Greene, and Mrs. A. Vaughan, housemother.

Alumni present: Harold Sheridan, S. Sheridan, W. Freeman, W. Hilborn and Joyce Canright, Delaware; Earl Traster, Cleveland; Dave Stradley, Cincinnati; Will Adams, Columbus; Willard Junior, Akron, Ohio; Zane Brant, Lebanon, Ohio; Bruce Clark, Phil Beech and Ed Buckley, Medina, Ohio; and George Shaffer, Centerburg, Ohio.

Immediately following dinner on Sunday, June 16, a discussion was held by the alumni and actives on the future plans and aims of the fraternity.

Ohio Epsilon's rush committee has been steadily busy. The pledge training committee has set up a new point system whereby the pledges must earn a definite number of merits before they will be considered for initiation.

Chapter personnel now consists of 24 actives and 7 pledges.

—SAM BEATTY

## OKLAHOMA ALPHA—Oklahoma A. &amp; M.

The chapter has regained full strength, and our men hold a variety of important offices in every possible activity.

The roster was augmented on April 21 by initiation of Jack Botkin, Lorean Heath, Alfred Green, Glen Heflin, Tommy McGill, Andy Royce, Bob Fox, Bill Long, Bob Patton, Don Colnan, Dan Colnan, and Walter Florence. On May 28 the following men were initiated: Stan McConnell, Don Killough, Maurice Foquay, Dale Curry, Buddy Lindsey, Bob White, Jack Bobeck, Jack Cox, George Lange, Bill Biggerstaff, Jack Gill, and Arthur Burkey.

We did not take over our house from the University until June 1; since then renovating activities have progressed with the help of the boys and some new furniture has been purchased. Our ranks are so large, however, that an annex will be needed for adequate housing, and much effort is being made—thus far without success—to obtain one.

Socially Oklahoma Alpha has fared well. The Bowery Ball, the Golden Heart Formal, as well as several banquets and picnics have put us prominently on the campus social map.

—EDMOND SYNAR

## OKLAHOMA GAMMA—University of Tulsa

With this summer marking the beginning of Oklahoma Gamma—May 26, 1946, being the date of activation—this chapter has started on the road of fostering the ideals of Sig Ep. Starting with fourteen charter members and one transfer member from Oklahoma Alpha, the chapter now has four pledges, and Rush Chairman Jack Paxton reports good prospects for more in the near future.

There have been two formal meetings; the first at the home of Wesley F. Shaw, president of the Eastern Oklahoma Alumni Association, and the second at the home of Larkin Bailey, Grand Guard. Due to the fact this chapter does not as yet have a house, regular meetings are being held in the Phillips Engineering Building on the campus.

Ordinarily there isn't any pledging on the campus during the summer, however with special permission of the Interfraternity Council, Oklahoma Gamma has been permitted to pledge ten students this summer.

A picnic was held July 21, 1946, for actives, pledges, rushees, and dates. Social Chairman Jack Hale planned the entertainment which consisted of softball, bicycle riding, use of the park facilities, etc., and plenty of food.

Although athletics are almost at a standstill during the summer, Nelson Terrill is playing baseball with the Tulsa Red Sox and currently is participating in a state tournament at Enid, Okla. His ability as a player is shown by his interviews with league scouts recently.

Oklahoma Gamma is very fortunate in having Bob Harmon as president of this chapter. Bob is a past president of Oklahoma Alpha, 1938, and deserves high credit for his work in organization and guidance of the fraternity.

During the past semester, members of the fraternity maintained a credible grade average in school work with the following students appearing on the scholastic roll: Jack E. Hale, Robert Harmon, Robert N. McDuffie, Jack Mitchell, Nelson E. Terrell, Gail Thomas, and George Weaver; and Pledge Robert E. Armstrong.

—JOHN A. HAYES



This 150-pound St. Bernard, as yet nameless, was a going-away gift of Oregon Beta graduates.

**OREGON ALPHA—Oregon State College**

As Spring Term, 1946, ended we had 41 members and 15 pledges. June 30 at a special initiation Glen Ware and Fred Patzwald were inducted. Patzwald goes to Europe this fall with UNRRA.

Three seniors graduated this spring—George LeTourneaux, our rehabilitation hero; Leo Tormanen, ETO vet; and Doug Johnson, ex-Navy medic. Russ Sackett will also not return. He has been admitted to the School of Journalism at Northwestern.

New officers have been chosen for the coming year. Jack Liljberg, hard working, deep thinking, Phi Kappa Phi, and other honoraries, is the new president. R. K. Smith is the new manager—a rugged job in these trying times. Harry Bleile, vice-president; Stan Sackett, treasurer; Bob Selberg, historian; and T. C. Swafford, secretary; completes the list of chapter officers.

Spring term saw the 8th big Fireman's Ball steal the campus social spotlight. The "Fireman's" was carried out in pre-war splendor as the lads added a permanent steel frame for the slide, a bright and shining, red, 1923 Dodge fire truck, a five piece "um-pa" band, and a new set of loud speakers. The house led the fraternities on the campus during the first two terms, and should repeat in the spring quarter.

Oregon Alpha won the All-School and Duel Track championships in intramural competition. Bob Reiman and Pledge Don Cowan won track letters. Elvan Pitney won his numerals in baseball. Bob Reiman and Boyd Clemet will probably start on next fall's football team.

Bob Knoll edits the revitalized *Barometer*. This is just one of the spots where the men are regaining control after the "lean years."

Bob Reiman took over as house politician as he was elected first vice-president of ASOSC.

As this letter is written we hear that Ted Gardner, Curt Cutsforth, Frank Knox, and Bob Lawrence will be back with us for the coming year.

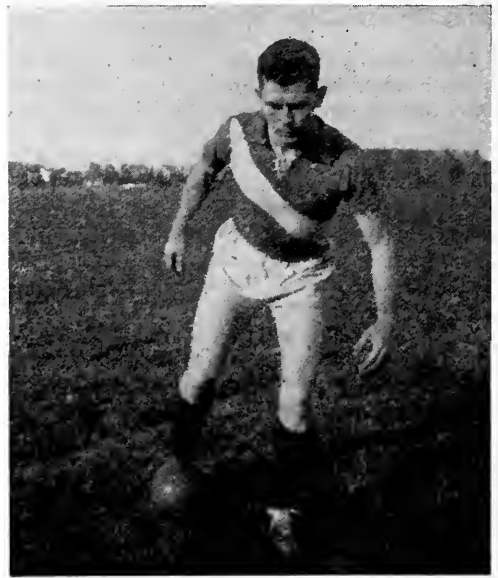
Special mention to some alumni who have been of special help during the last year. Lloyd Gregg, alumni treasurer, has constantly been available for the numerous duties of his office. Jim Howland, '35, is helping to get postwar building plans formulated. Robinson, Doughton, Paine, Firestone, and many others have and are lending time and effort to our cause. On top of any list such as this should come our own Dean U. G. Dubach, Oregon Alpha's first member, who for many years has given wise council to the men.

—HARRY BLEILE

**OREGON BETA—University of Oregon**

From our start in January with the return of 10 men for winter term we built to 38 in June when we began to wonder where to put all of our returning veterans this fall.

Spring term grades look fine again. We topped the 48 campus living organizations with a 2.75



George Barlow, Pennsylvania Mu, on All-American Soccer team at Temple.

winter term and, though no official figures are out, we've calculated a 2.8 for spring term which should do the trick again.

Spring term also saw Bill Barnum, "pre-med" student, elected president for the coming year of Skull and Dagger, sophomore men's honorary. He succeeds Winnie Carl, another new member, who presided the past year. Ed Marshall, this year's sophomore class president, has been elected to head Druids, the junior men's honorary.

As a going-away gift the seniors presented the house with a rollicking eight-months old pup—a 146-pound St. Bernard. We suspect them of regarding the whole thing as a huge joke so long as they won't be paying an increased house bill to feed her.

Spring formal was held in the specious back yard on our portable dance floor. A fountain, surrounded by moss, was rigged in the middle and a changing colored light hooked up above to play on the water. Colored lights were strung clear around the yard. The garden party theme was accentuated by paper umbrella covered tables.

As housemother we have obtained Mrs. Carl J. Mead. So far we are still the only fraternity on the campus to have one.

A list of this year's graduates and what they are doing:

Dunc Wimpress, publicity secretary and journalism instructor Whittier College, Whittier, Calif.

John Mathews, publicity director, the Division of Traffic Safety, Secretary of State's Office, State Capital, Salem, Ore.

Harry Miller, graduate architecture student at University of California, 1040 Mosan, apt. 202, San Francisco.

—VERNON WHITE

During the spring vacation the whole downstairs of the house was refinished. The second floor and all the rooms were refinished by the actives during the first week of spring term. Returning vets swelled the active roll. Included in the returnees were, Harry Miller, Don McIntosh, Jim Snell, Francis Mahula, Hubie Williamson, Chuck Herman, Warren Mack, Wilbur Haskins, Fred Warner, Bob Wells, Bert Dotson, Newell Comish, George Winslow, Warren Christensen, and Wil-liard Christenson.

Honors continued to fall to the house, the first being the winning of the junior weekend float parade. Our entry was constructed with the assistance of the Alpha Xi Deltas. The float was a tremendous pig, "Blue Boy," constructed for the parade theme, "State Fair."

During the whole term we have made the best of our backyard. We entertained the Alpha Phis and their rushees, early in the term, and later did the same with the Alpha Delta Pis and the Gamma Phi Betas.

—TED BUSH

#### PENNSYLVANIA MU—Temple University

Within the past year, the chapter's roll has expanded from a single member to 20 actives and three pledges. Also, through funds raised by our reorganized alumni under the presidency of J. Carlton Perry, we have rented a house.

We took second prize in the Campus Greek Sing recently. Ginny Clark, Alpha Sigma Alpha and a music education student, coached us. She was elected Sig Ep Sweetheart at the Greek Ball and presented with a gold bracelet by our new president, Van Zandt Janeway. Ginny is our first Sig Ep Sweetheart; and it will be a practice each year to give this award at the Greek Ball.

Last May we were written up by the *Temple News*. Excerpts: "We saw red. The doors of the new Sigma Phi Epsilon house at 1815 North Park Avenue rose before us in all their crimson glory. . . . The fellows that greeted us looked more like members of the painters' union, Local

159, than Sig Ep men. The boys plan to have their first social affair—an open house—this coming September."

Clem Groody, comptroller, and Alumni Treasurer Willard Gillum planned an operating budget for the coming year.

Jay Barber, Ed Carroll, and Fred Hall are back from the service, attending the summer session.

Bob Woodside, chapter secretary and All-American Soccer team member, was appointed on the Whitecaps for freshman indoctrination for the coming year. They will replace the hazing Vigilantes.

Under the aegis of Pledgemaster Bill Murray, the following men completed their training and were initiated in April: Frank Hostetter, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.; Hal Rodgers, Bill Linder, Bill Forre, and John Graham, all of Philadelphia; Reese Simmons, Millsboro, Del.; Bob McCormick, Trenton, N.J.; and Ken Ditmars, Collingswood, N.J.—all ex-GIs.

Al Smeraglio, one of our holdover pledges, was crowned all-University handball champion, while Hal Rodgers and pledges Earle Kerber and Ed Harvey played roles in the recent Templayers production, *Sunday Afternoon*.

The spring term closed with a house party, for which Mr. and Mrs. William McColly, Ohio Alpha, acted as chaperons.

Recently returned from the service: Robert Fertig, "Cactus" McLaughlin, Bob Sayres, and Peter Schloeter. Ed Carroll, captain of Temple's swimming team in 1943-44, is another returnee.

—ANTHONY N. DURSO

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA—University of Tennessee

What with over 60 energetic actives, Tennessee Alpha is strictly a resurgent chapter. One of the few to remain activated during the war years, the chapter emerged from the conflict in a stronger competitive position than it enjoyed at the outset.

Athletically, the chapter was well represented on the gridiron by Casey Stephenson and pledge



White-shirted brothers of Penn Mu pose with Sig Ep Sweetheart Ginny Clark. Front row, l. to r.: Rodgers, Timmons, Kerber, Woodside, Ginny, Durso, Jackson, Forre, Janeway. Second row: Murray, Smeraglio, Harvey, Barlow, Graham, McCormick, Groody, and Ansley.



Temple quartet. . . Left to right: Timmons, Ditmars, Janeway, and Woodside pose near the campus.

Buster Stephens, Tennessee's star halfbacks, and Roy Cross, end. Ben Huddleston and Al Rotella, end and tackle, respectively, showed great promise in spring practice.

Scholastically, the chapter produced several luminaries. Frank Falkinberry, Jim Wilbanks, and J. L. King won awards for proficiency in Engineering. Eddie Weber was similarly rewarded. Chet Pedigo rang the bell with an all "A" average.

Politically, the chapter waged one of the hottest battles in campus history against the opposing combine, which had allowed itself to become affiliated with the disinterested non-fraternity party. Under the capable leadership of co-chairmen John Foos and Richard Welch, John Freeman became one of the two nominees for president of the student body. Eddie Weber was nominated also for an important post.

Socially, the chapter rose to new heights in more than one event. The costumed "Frontier Party," complete with horse-drawn carriage and can-can gals, stole the spotlight for informal functions. The Sig Ep Formal, held at the Holston Hills Country Club, saw a prominent co-ed selected as the Sig-Ep "Cinderella." An out-of-town orchestra was engaged for the function.

Competitively, the chapter qualified for the finals in both the "U-T All Sing" and the "1946 Carnicus." Thus, in a matter of four weeks Sig Eps were enabled to demonstrate their versatility in choral singing and group acting to packed auditoriums.

Honorarily, Frank Falkinberry was initiated into Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi. John Freeman and Whit LaFon made Circle and Torch, the senior honor society. Casey Pentecost, former president of the Tennessee student body, is back.

Editorially, Richard Welch is one of the main cogs on the campus annual. Bob Burgin, Richard Welch, and Earl Pippin have written for the college newspaper.

Financially, the chapter is in good shape. Tennessee Alpha owns two houses. The "Shebeen" a rather large and solidly-constructed brick house is located in back of the "Big House." The "Shebeen" affords living quarters for a few, and recreation for all. Its spacious bull-room and bar-room takes a lot of wear-and-tear off the "Big

House," which was recently decorated in its interior in a green and white motif.

Officially, Tennessee Alpha enjoys a splendid group of leaders. De Witt Yates, president, heads a large contingent of GIs who have returned to hold chapters offices. Marty Wilkerson, George Hines, Howell Thompson, and Marty Robbins account for the other top posts.

Traditionally, the chapter receives strong alumni support. Haynes Barnes, District Governor, Jimmy Smith, alumnus adviser, Dr. R. F. Thomason, chairman of the Alumni Board, are active in their official capacities, while Joe Thomason, Judges Goodman and Bibb, Bower, Dodson, Rose, Witt, Johnston and others have made valuable contributions recently.

—HOWELL THOMPSON

#### TEXAS ALPHA—University of Texas

The spring semester saw our chapter approach pre-war strength with about 50 members and pledges. With the return from the service of additional former actives, we hope to begin the fall semester with 50 actives and a large pledge class.

During the summer session, 10 men lived in the house, with about 25 taking meals. Plans are being made for renovation before fall, Bill Holloway and Doug Barberie being in charge of arrangements, including alumni contact.

These were initiated since last report: Dick Stacey, Austin; Ed Ramey, Gladewater; George Hubbard, Grand View, Mo.; Charles West, Fort Worth; Virgil Williams, Orange; Homer Walles, Port Neches; Bill Whittet, Enid, Okla.; Frank Martino, Dallas; Gordon Skee, Rockford, Ill.; Norman Utter, Kansas City, Mo.; Frank Winters,



George F. Williams contends for apple with date at Tennessee Alpha's hill-billy party, Knoxville.

Houston; Bill White, El Paso; Neal Houston, Dallas; and Don Vogt, Austin.

Last semester Bill Boble was appointed editor of the *Daily Texan*; Bill Holloway was selected one of the 25 outstanding students on campus by the yearbook and also appointed Student Assembly representative for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Grover Isbell won the intramural tennis singles championship. Our softball team won its league championship, then reached the semifinals in the playoffs, largely through pitcher M. C. Lewis and outfielder Bill Gossett. George Hubbard, M. C. Lewis, and Don Longenecker won points in the spring track meet. Smoky Smolkovich was honorably mentioned on the intramural basketball team, while Frank Friauf won the most points in intramural competition.

Socially, the formal held at the Austin Country Club May 3, was very successful, and was held following a cocktail party and a banquet for 200 persons. Awards were made at the banquet to the "Outstanding Member," Bill Holloway, and the "Outstanding Pledge," Frank Martino. Other social events last semester included the annual spring frolic and desert parties for several sororities.

Recent visitors have included Tom Aderhold, Bob Ahrens, Linwood Bland, Jack Craig, Carl Dillard, Jack Emmott, Bill Fadell, Ralph Finklea, Jack Frambach, Jack Gaines, Ira Golden, Charles Huddleston, Rubin Kappler, Lou Kimple, Bill Lofland, Ed Matthews, Robert Miller, Preston Staats, and Robert Vickers.

We regret to announce the untimely death of Baron von Heidelberg, longtime fraternity mascot and watchdog, who had to be killed after a broken leg became infected. —RALPH KLEMEYER

#### VERMONT BETA—Middlebury College

Vermont Beta is proud of its rebirth. George Wiemann, Jan Lindner, Pete McKee, Chuck Pope, Ad Merrick, Chuck Kitchell, Larry Sellack, Stan Zollner, with the asset of the most modern and most appealing fraternity atmosphere on campus, revived a leading chapter at Middlebury; that superiority has been realized.

The college leased the house until August, 1946. Therefore rushing was conducted in the unappealing surroundings of the classroom smokers. The age of the more serious war veterans and the lack of adequate contact manpower necessitated a program of appeal through a more substantial and mature presentation. We gained more men, of higher caliber, than any of our rivals—Deke, D U, and Chi Psi.

The men are veterans of all branches of the services and had already become active on campus in athletics, as well as in the popularly chosen class and organization leaders.

Our new brothers are: John Haywood, Middlebury; Bill Weeks, Torrington, Conn.; Joe Bailey, Ashburnham, Mass.; Ed Hutchinson, Glens Falls, N.Y.; Bart Nourse, Worcester, Mass.; Ulysses Mocas, Nashua, N. H.; Jack Law, New Britain,



Ralph Klemyer, University of Texas, gets Dean of Women Dorothy Gebauer to pose with him at Texas Alpha's Spring Formal, in Austin.

Conn.; Bob Hoagland, Worcester, Mass.; Stew Chapin, White River Junction; Bob Harris, South Lyndeboro, N.H.; John Barry, Roxbury, Mass.; Phill Deane, Greenfield, Mass.; Art Boucher, Waterbury, Conn.; Bob Boucher, Waterbury, Conn.; Harry Fife, Middlebury; Don Henderson, Berlin, N.H.; Hank Caswell, Middlebury; Jack Valentine, N. Chelmsford, Mass.; and Don Barclay, Hempstead, N.Y.

Formal pledging was conducted on April 17 with every pledge becoming a member on May 5. Plans for operating the house in the coming semester are complete and we're all set to begin a real fraternity life.

George Wiemann was graduated in June and Stan Zollner in August. Jan Lindner is leaving to complete his training at Yale Medical School.

—STAN ZOLLNER and BOB HARRIS

#### VIRGINIA ETA—University of Virginia

With the house closed only four months during the war, a large number of veteran actives back in the University, and the culmination of one of the most successful rushing seasons in years Virginia Eta is now about back to its prewar strength. The house is filled almost to capacity, the dining room was reopened May 1st, and extensive plans are now underway for painting and redecorating with the help of the alumni.

There are now 38 active members in the house and more are expected back in September. Those who returned from the service at the beginning of the summer term are Bill Brugman, O. T. Amory, Bill Fowl, Terry Rice, Joe Schannell and Pete Barlow, all back in the College, and French Strother, John Breckinridge and Charlie Read, back in Law School.

After two weeks of rushing in March followed by one of the best rush parties on the grounds seventeen men were bid and pledged on Bid Sunday. They are: Robert H. Gruver, Washington, D.C., Cyrus Creston Farrow, Jr., Richmond, Va., John G. Seelinger, Richmond, Joseph F. Kinningham, Westfield, N.J., Robert B. Carlton, Richmond, William F. Scannell, Chicago, Ill.,

Forrest S. Wommack, Petersburg, Va., James R. Iden, Berryville, Va., William H. Mapp, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa., Bruce B. White, Greenville, S.C., Earl S. Morgan, Washington, D.C., John J. Winstead, Richmond, Va., George S. Richardson, Richmond, Va., and Oliver Chalifoux, Charlottesville, Va. Initiation ceremonies were held recently for all but Ollie Chalifoux and Earl Morgan who are absent from the University for the summer term. Also initiated during the spring term were Bill Nelms, of New York, Charlie Coleman, Newport News, Virginia, Pete Thompson, Lynchburg, Virginia, and Jack Marty, Baltimore, Maryland.

The University is on a fully accelerated program so that after a one week vacation in June classes were again resumed on the 18th. Elected officers for this term were Bill Kelley, President, of Richmond, Vice President, Bill Nelms of New York, Secretary, Lew Bridgeforth of Richmond, Historian, Art Smith of Cleveland, Ohio, and comptroller, French Strother, Garden City, N.Y.

Graduation ceremonies in June were mostly Navy ceremonies as far as the house was concerned. Dave Hutchinson, Harold Freeland, Les Beydler, Don Cummings and Jim Flatley were all commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve.

Easter Dances were held the last week and since it was the first real Easter-Week in over three years no effort was spared to make it a good one. The chapter joined other fraternities in holding open house by giving its traditional Purple Passion Party Friday afternoon before the concert. Among the many alumni who dropped in were Jack Hildebrandt, Bill Bumstead, Jack Ackerson and Gordon Crenshaw. Numerous informal parties went on all weekend and the very traditional tux and tails baseball game was held at dawn in Madison Bowl out in front of the house, dates cheering from the sidelines and in some cases even participating.

Plans are now being made for Midsummer Dances which will be on the weekend of July

26th and 27th. The house has been very active in intramurals with a top notch soft ball team well in line towards winning the cup.

—ARTHUR J. SMITH

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA—State College of Washington

The chapter was open for its first summer session since the war, with 9 members and 1 battle-weary pledge. Chapter activities were limited.

A pre-rush program is being conducted on the campus, and alumni throughout the state are co-operating in sending the names of possible pledges who are coming to the school in the fall. It is anticipated that this chapter will pledge between 8 and 10 this fall, with a total house capacity of 47.

House officers for the fall semester are: president, Bob Evans; vice-president, Marvin Tate; house manager, Bud Matsen; secretary, Bob Feller; historian, Ted Messelt, and social chairman, Al Reiley.

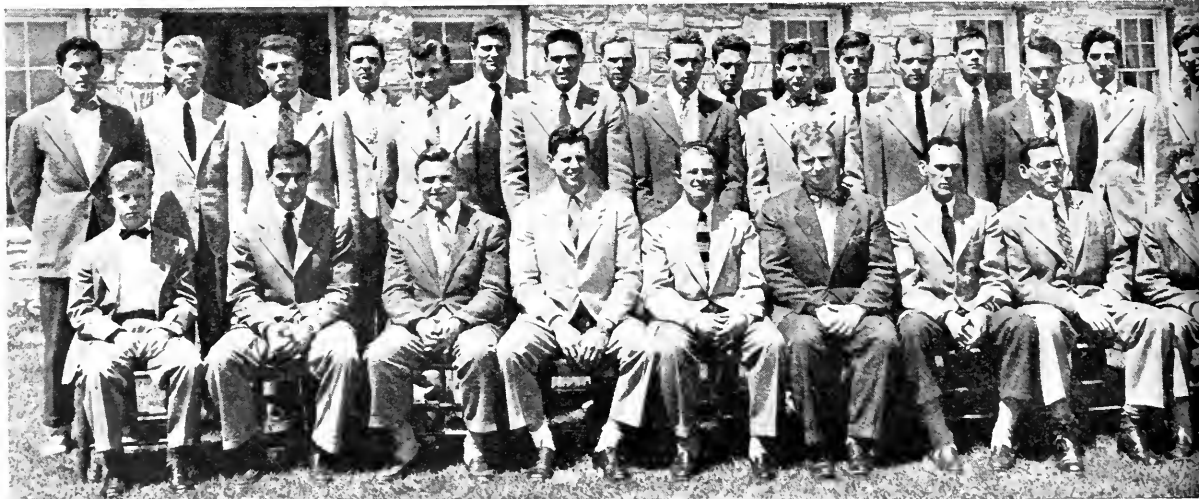
We are expecting 19 pledges from the spring semester to return in the fall, and an equal number of members from the spring semester to return, however with the veteran members returning the pledges will be outnumbered two to one.

Among the veterans returning this fall will be footballers Benton Bangs, Jr., Bill (Smily) Ward, and Earl Brennis. Next semester's house manager Bud Matsen, represented this college at the AVC convention in Des Moines this summer. Gail Bishop, All-American basketball star, has signed to play baseball with the Spokane Indians this year.

On August 1 nearly 400 letters were sent to alumni of this chapter, in order to get our alumni association organized again. W. F. Talley, '16, president of the W.S.C. alumni association, and always a great Sig Ep worker, has been a great help this last year in creating new interest in the chapter by our alumni.

—DARYL DIETRICH

"1946 Picture of Brotherhood" . . . Thus titled by the Middlebury historian, representing, left to right, seated: Bud Gubitz, Ad Merrick, Chuck Pope, George Wiemahn, Jan Lindner, Chuck Kitchel, Pete McKee, Stan Zollner, Bill Weeks. Second row standing: Don Henderson, Ulysses Mocas, Bart Nourse, Stew Chapin, Tink Bailey, Jack Barry, Jack Law, Ed Hutchinson, Bob Hoagland. Third row standing: Don Barclay, Bob Boucher, Phill Deane, Bob Harris, Hank Caswell, Jack Valentine, Rolly Boucher, Harry Fife.





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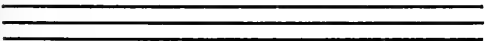
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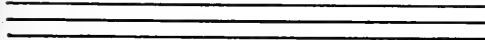
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## WEST VIRGINIA BETA—U. of West Virginia

Last term closed with 30 actives. Bill Graham returned to Summer School for his engineering degree. Aaron Browning from Logan, recently released from the Army, will return in September. The house was open for the summer, with Warren Bible, comptroller, handling finances.

The 1946 football schedule has been completed and is as follows: Otterbein College at Morgantown—Sept. 21; Pitt at Pittsburgh, Sept. 28; Waynesburg at Morgantown, Oct. 5; Washington & Lee at Charleston, Oct. 12; Temple at Philadelphia Oct. 18 (night); Syracuse at Morgantown, Oct. 26 (Homecoming); Army at West Point, Nov. 2; Fordham at Morgantown, Nov. 9; Kentucky at Lexington, Nov. 16; and Virginia at Charlottesville, Nov. 23. Brother Bob Baum and Pledge Devonshire have just returned from Football Camp at Keyser. As we were in observation, we can avouch for the fine team that Coach Kern will have this fall.

Edward Lake is rushing chairman for next year and we wish to maintain contact with Alumni and possible pledges, either legacies or young men whose attendance at the University next year is probable at this time. We will have some rooms and will be very happy to fulfill requests for rooms. Kindly write Lake or Charles Camp at 265 High Street, Morgantown, W.Va.

Clark Coffman, recently released from the service will attend the University of Michigan's Law School. Harry Drummond, recently married and returned from the service, is in business with his father in Fairmont.

—E. F. HEISKELL and CHARLES CAMP

## WISCONSIN BETA—University of Wisconsin

Wisconsin Beta rolled into Lake Geneva July 21 and was royally entertained on the luxurious grounds of Mariondale Farms, owned by Epsilon Arthur Kull and family. The picnic was primarily arranged for the alumni of the group, but several active members were also in attendance.

Some 35 members and their families came from all parts of Wisconsin and Illinois, and a most enjoyable time was had by all. At 2:00 a potluck lunch was served, with gallons and gallons of milk and ice cream being furnished.

A short business meeting was held in the afternoon, and plans for aiding the chapter at Madison were discussed.

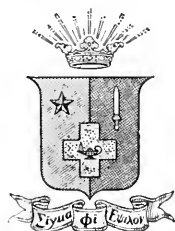
Among the returned service personnel which were in attendance at the picnic were Max Hermann, bombardier from the Indian theater; Leslie J. Wouters, fresh from somewhere in the South Pacific; Alvin Kubly, from the Medical Supply Depot at Binghamton, N.Y.; Myron Sands, from Stalag Luft 1, Prisoner of War Cage, Germany; Paul Pohle, from the aircraft carrier, *U.S.S. Never-sink*; Phil Derse from Admiral Halsey's fleet.

Another such meeting has been tentatively arranged for Homecoming at Madison this fall.

—JOHN U. DITHMAR



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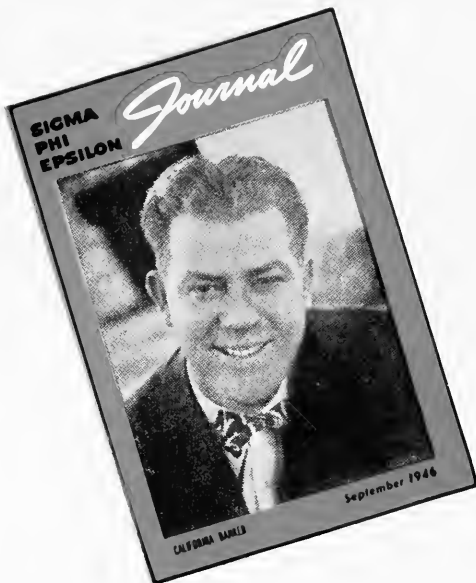
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